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Public 'not in danger' from fire service cuts

By Adam Flinn

RESIDENTS will not be put in danger as a result of £1.4million cuts to Berkshire's fire service, a senior councillor has insisted.

Emma Webster, Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service's (RBFRS) lead member for risk management, was speaking ahead of a decision on cuts to the service due to be made next week.

RBFRS has to save £2.4m from its £33m annual budget by 2020 as a result of funding cuts, £1.4m of which is affecting the frontline service. The other £1m would come from other areas within the organisation.

Six different options for making the £1.4m savings were put forward in a consultation, which included a number of different measures ranging from closing smaller fire stations to changing firefighters' shift patterns.

The results of the consultation were published last Friday ahead of RBFRS's fire authority making a final decision next Tuesday evening.

Cllr Webster said: "What we've tried to do is make sure we understand the risk across the whole of the country to ensure we don't increase the risk to the public.

"So some communities may, as a result of the options being considered, see closures to stations or ways of working being different.

"But the most important thing to remember is we won't be increasing the risk to the public as a result of the decision we make."

A total of 1,050 people responded to the consultation, which included the general public and RBFRS staff.

The most popular option in the consultation would mean the closure of Pangbourne fire station, the planned station in Theale being remotely managed from Whitley Wood, and the scrapping of the retained support unit.

Other options included introducing a three-watch shift system as opposed to the current four at bigger stations including Newbury.

A seventh option of doing nothing was included in the consultation, but has previously been ruled as "unviable" by the fire service.

RBFRS has also emphasised that more work is being done on prevention to try and reduce the number of fires in the first place.

Cllr Webster said: "It's about making sure you have a smoke alarm and check it's working on a regular basis and that you have an escape plan in case a fire does happen.

"It's very important for us that

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Hot dogs!

Dogs jumping through rings of fire and tackling elaborate obstacle courses were among the highlights of the All About Dogs show at Newbury Showground over the weekend. Thousands of pooches and their owners paid a visit to the show on Saturday and Sunday.
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Domestic abuse project wins £70k for kids' play

By Adam Flinn

PLAY therapy sessions for children who have been affected by domestic abuse have been awarded a grant of more than £70,000.

Property group A2Dominion secured £72,874 of funding for its work with families who are living in refuges in the district.

The money will be used to pay for a parenting worker and play therapy at two of A2Dominion's domestic abuse refuges.

The sessions are believed to play a vital part in alleviating psychological and emotional conditions in children that are causing behavioural problems.

Karen Diver, A2Dominion's service manager, said: "This funding will have a tremendous impact on the lives of children at our refuges.

"We work with some of the most vulnerable children in society and when they come to us they are at a very sensitive time in their lives.

"The play therapy will aid the children and their mothers to overcome the challenging circumstances they find themselves in.

"Being able to offer play therapy at a refuge is extremely rare and I can't overstate how thrilled we are to have been awarded the funding to provide it over the next 14 months."

Play therapy sessions will be available on a weekly basis and delivered by a fully qualified play therapist.

West Berkshire Council made the successful bid for the grant to the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG).

Marcus Franks, the council's executive member for community resilience said: "We are delighted with this support from DCLG. Domestic abuse is a largely hidden crime that can have a profoundly damaging effect on adults but also on children who are unable to speak out and articulate the distress and fear they are feeling.

"Play therapy is a recognised way of ensuring that they receive the right kind of help at the right time, which can reduce the likelihood of mental health difficulties developing in their later lives."

Have your say on community football

A SURVEY asking for people's views on the local football offering in Newbury has been set up by a campaign group trying to save the ground in Faraday Road.

Newbury Community Football Group (NCFG) is seeking to assess the level of demand for football/grassroots facilities in the town.

It comes as Newbury FC's Faraday Road ground faces being closed within the next few years as part of West Berkshire Council's proposed redevelopment of the London Road Industrial Estate.

The club's lease on the ground expires in 2018, but NCFG has been campaigning not just for the ground to remain but for it to be improved.

Lee McDougall, spokesman for NCFG said: "This consultation is the first step of the NCFG development plan for football in our area.

"With between 300 and 400 youngsters coming up through the youth football club, we are determined to ensure there are quality facilities for them to use for the long-term, to develop their sports skills and also to promote health and wellbeing in our community."

To take part in the survey, go to surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Newbury_Football_Facilities

Newbury FC's ground in Faraday Road

Woman attacked in Newbury phone robbery

A WOMAN was robbed of her phone in a vicious attack in Newbury on Saturday.

The victim, 19, was on her phone around the junction of Enborne Road and Kings bridge Road when three men came running towards her.

They grabbed her by the arms and one put his hand over her mouth, while another took her phone from her hand.

The men then fled towards Fifth Road and the woman chased after them into Buckingham Road, but lost sight of them.

She suffered a cut lip but did not need hospital treatment. Her phone was later recovered.

The first man was white, in his mid 20s, and may have had tattoos on his neck and right forearm.

The second had black hair and was wearing black track suit bottoms and a blue jumper, and the third had dark brown hair, aged 26 or 27, and was in a black Adidas tracksuit.

Specialist investigator Tracy Cale said: "Saturday was a warm and sunny day and there were lots of people in the area at the time.

"I am hoping that there will be several witnesses who saw the incident or who saw a young woman chasing after three men."

Call 101 with information.

News Bites

Up for award

THATCHAM: The founder of Thatcham's wheelchair basketball club Thames Valley Kings has been named as a finalist in an award for the most influential women of the year.

Jacqueline Scoins-Cass was selected as a finalist in the Thames Valley Venus Awards last Thursday.

It is in honour of her work with the Thames Valley Kings, which she founded in 2004, to provide a high quality wheelchair basketball programme in the West Berkshire area.

Jacqueline will find out if she has won the award at the winners' ceremony being held at the Madejski Stadium in Reading on June 9.

Charity effort

NEWBURY: Customers at Sainsbury's have helped to raise £1,340 for three different charities following a weekend of fundraising.

Berkshire Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre, The Rosemary Appeal and West Berkshire Advocacy all benefited from collections on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

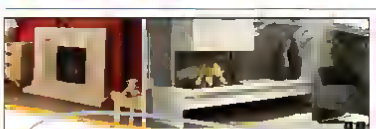
Store manager Rob Barnes said: "We really enjoyed welcoming all of the volunteers into the store over the weekend.

"We hope our support will really make a difference to each of the charities."

Clarification

GREENHAM: Last week's article 'Four key issues will decide if tower grant has to be repaid' said that Greenham Parish Council had admitted to spending grant money on its control tower project in ways not agreed by grant provider SIB.

Greenham Parish Council has asked us to clarify that it does not admit to this and believes the money was spent in line with the terms of the grant.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'Stunning' countryside gets £230k nature access boost

By Adam Finn

A TWO YEAR scheme that has created a number of improvements to Greenham Common and other green spaces around West Berkshire has been hailed a success.

The £230,000 West Berkshire Access Improvement Project, run by the Berks, Bucks and Oxon Wildlife Trust (BBOWT) concluded last Wednesday.

Several nature reserves in the district have been opened up so more people can use them.

Highlights have included installing new boards and redesigning the Pyle Hill car park at Greenham Common, creating an access trail at Snelsmore Common, and safer crossing points for horse riders at Padworth Common.

Alex Cruickshank, senior land manager for Berkshire at BBOWT, said: "One of the top priorities when West Berkshire Council gave us the management of the reserves and commons in October 2013 was to improve the ways people can enjoy these wonderful sites.

"They are so special for wildlife that we wanted to make it as easy and safe as possible for more people to come here and enjoy walking, running, cycling and horse riding.

"Many of the new tracks and trails are accessible for families with buggies and people using powered wheelchairs."

The project has been funded by the district council, Grundon Waste Management, Greenham Common Trust and BBOWT.

Members of the West Berkshire Ramblers and the local access forum, as well as West Berkshire councillors helped decide on what work needed to be done.

Dominic Boeck, West Berkshire Council's executive member for the countryside, said: "This is a marvellous achievement and a great example of what can be achieved by the strength of the collective.

"West Berkshire is blessed with stunning countryside: 70 per cent of which is areas of outstanding natural beauty.

"We are committed to preserving these beautiful spaces and to ensuring that as many people as possible are able to access and enjoy them."

Greenham Common has been given a BBOWT project

Dad 'beaten unconscious after son hit with pellet'

TWO teenagers have been arrested after a father was punched, kicked and hit by a car.

The 41-year had gone looking for the culprits when his nine-year-old boy was hit by a BB pellet fired from a passing car in New Road Hill, Woolhampton, at around 6.10pm last Tuesday.

The man confronted the attackers in Pease Hill, Bucklebury.

They then drove their car at him, before punching and kicking him, leaving him unconscious.

He sustained bruising and cuts and was taken to the Royal Berkshire Hospital in Reading for treatment, but has since been discharged. The boy was not injured.

A 16-year old of them Thatcham and a 17-year-old from Newbury have been arrested on suspicion of grievous bodily harm and released on bail.

Investigating officer PC Teresa Miller, based at Newbury police station, said: "This is a serious crime, which has obviously been very distressing for the victims and has resulted in one of them needing hospital treatment."

Call 101 with information.

Changes to fares on some West Berkshire bus routes announced

BUS fares on some rural routes around West Berkshire are set to change, with some being increased and one going down.

Passengers on the jet black route in Theale and on the line 2 route around Burghfield and Mortimer will experience same increases from April 24 onwards.

However an adult day ticket in the 'simply Newbury and Thatcham' zone is being reduced to £4.

Jake Osman, marketing manager for Reading Buses – which operates the routes – said: "For the most part these changes just bring the fares more into line and tidy up any discrepancies that existed previously.

"So the vast majority of customers will not see any change."

Other routes around Wokingham and Bracknell will also see their fares change.

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Consequences 'can be tragic'

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we get the message out to people both young and old and at an early stage to make sure people don't put themselves at risk and m harms s way because ultimately the consequences can be tragic.

"We re working with local authorities, community groups, social services and other charitable organisations to make sure we spread the message as far as possible."

While a decision is being taken next Tuesday cuts would not come into effect until next month.

It has also been confirmed that if an option was chosen that included shuting Pangbourne fire station, this wouldn't be until the new station in Theale is completed in late 2018/early 2019.

Next Tuesday s meeting is open to the public, and starts at 6.30pm at RBFRS s headquarters in Pincents Kiln, Calcot.

Consultation manager Jim Powell and Cllr Emma Webster at the publication of the consultation report

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Adam Petty is presented with the trophy by Newbury Rotary Club president Graeme Leach

Adam wins top snapper recognition

THE overall winner of the 2017 Newbury Rotary Young Photographer competition has been crowned.

Eleven-year-old Adam Petty was unanimously picked by a panel of judges for his three photographs depicting this year's theme 'reflections'.

Rotary club president Graeme Leach presented the trophy to Adam at his school, The Willink in Burghfield, in front of students and teachers.

A record number of 40 entrants took part in this year's competition, submitting more than 100 pictures between them.

The senior trophy was awarded to 17 year-old Cavelle Wilhams of Kennet School in Thatcham.

Adam and Cavelle received vouchers for a photography course and their photographs go forward to the Rotary District 1090 final.

Judge Llewellyn Robins said, "The judges agreed that the standard this year was very high and congratulated all those that entered."

Merit certificates were also handed out to Zahra Hall, Finley Bowles Bethany Kingston and Isabella Giddins.

Conference will be held to discuss the future of Newbury

By Adam Flinn

PLANS for development in Newbury over the next 10 years are the subject at a public conference next month.

Newbury Vision 2026 sets out how the town will develop in areas such as housing, regeneration, travel and tourism.

The conference will give an update on how key projects are progressing, including the redevelopment of Market Street, plans to rejuvenate the Kennet Centre and improvements to transport.

It will be hosted by West Berkshire Council.

Marcus Franks, the council's executive member for partnerships, said, "Newbury Vision sets out how we want Newbury to look and feel for visitors and the community that work and live in the town.

"The strength of the vision is that it has been shaped by the whole community including young people businesses, training providers and members of the public.

"The vision has already made a difference to the town and there is much more that we want to achieve.

"This conference will give us a chance to provide updates on some of the most important projects currently being progressed."

Newbury Vision was first created in 2003 and has developed projects such as the Parkway shopping centre, the pedestrianisation of the town centre and the opening of the Vue cinema.

The previous conference in November 2015 debated plans to regenerate the London Road Industrial Estate.

Council chief executive Nick Carter said, "Recent successes such as the pedestrianisation and Parkway have created a much nicer environment for shopping and entertainment in the centre.

"We still have a vision for the whole of the town but at this year's conference we will be focusing on all the activity going on to improve the town centre south of the canal."

The conference is being held from 9am to 1pm on May 4 at the Corn Exchange.

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Inspector gives the housing go-ahead

WEST BERKS The council's housing site allocations have been given the green light by the planning inspector.

Its development plan document – detailing where homes can be built across the district – can now be adopted.

Hilary Cole, the council's executive member for housing, said: "At a time when many authorities are failing the examination process the West Berkshire plan has been approved.

"This will mean that the council can include allocated sites in the document as part of the five-year land supply."

It is expected to be adopted at the council's meeting on May 9.

Bank scam warning

WEST BERKS NatWest is warning customers about a new scam email doing the rounds.

It comes after a retired accountant in Newbury had two emails that claimed efforts were being made to reach his NatWest account and to click a link for more details.

Spokesman Tony James said, "We are treating this seriously."

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Canine capers

Clockwise from far left: Racing during the Conquest K9 demonstration; one of the dogs gets a piggy back, Bruce the Shih Tzu takes on the hurdles

By Adam Flinn

MORE than 10 000 visitors and countless canines basked in the sun at the All About Dogs show in Newbury over the weekend.

This was the fifth year the event has been staged at Newbury Showground, again taking place alongside the garden show.

Visitors were treated to a host of demonstrations in the main arena, including from the Conquest K9 Display Team, with dogs leaping through fire hoops and racing each other over an obstacle course.

Fun dog shows to find 'the most fabulous fella' and 'the loveliest lady' as well as a number of other categories attracted hundreds of entries.

There were plenty of 'have a go' activities for visiting dogs to try their paws at, including a hurdles time trial and a water tank.

Matthew Upson, managing director of show organiser Aztec Events, said: "It was absolutely brilliant. The showground was really busy with the fine weather helping us to attract our biggest ever audience to Newbury.

"Even at 5pm on Sunday after noon when things are normally drawing to a close there were still a huge number of visitors present.

"Dog owners loved it!"

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Boat anniversary

NEWBURY Kennet and Avon Canal Trust s Jubilee narrow boat celebrates its 40th birthday on Monday

To mark the occasion, town mayor Julian Swift-Hook and West Berkshire Council chairman Quentin Webb will be staging a relaunch ceremony at 11am to unveil its new signage

It will be followed by a special cruise through Newbury

Dementia cafe

THATCHAM A monthly dementia support cafe is being launched at Thatcham Court Care Home later this month

The first cafe on April 26 will provide an informal environment where people can talk about the condition and receive peer support

It is running from 2pm to 4pm and is free to attend Sessions will be held on the last Wednesday of each month

Day of horses

LAMBOURN The annual Lambourn Open Day takes place across the village tomorrow

It provides a chance for racing fans to visit trainers' yards in the Lambourn Valley and meet horses, staff and jockeys as well as watching a host of events in the arena in the centre of Lambourn.

Hat'll do nicely

Children show off their Easter bonnets

YOUNGSTERS at the Jubilee Day and Jubilee Gems nurseries in Padworth have been getting ready for Easter by holding a bonnet parade

Children created their best Easter themed headwear as part of a competition, before taking part in the parade to show off their work.

Their efforts were rewarded with some chocolate Easter eggs donated by motorcycle owners club Thames Vale Vultures and Reading Rotary Club

Senior nursery manager Lesley Thompson said. "The children have had great fun making Easter bonnets with their families

"With lots of new lambs being born on the farm at Jubilee, there has been no shortage of inspiration.

"From the newborns on the farm to observing frog spawn changing to tadpoles and frogs, the children have many opportunities to celebrate all that is happening in the springtime."

Marchers pledge: terrorists will not disrupt way of life

By Adam Flinn

"WE are even more determined that those who would disrupt our society and our way of life will not succeed."

That was the message from a march organised by Newbury Mosque in remembrance of the victims of last month s terror attacks in Westminster

Around 100 people walked from the Newbury Mosque in Pound Street to the Town Hall last Wednesday and held a small ceremony in the Market Place

Members of the mosque, town mayor Julian Swift-Hook and MP Richard Benyon then spoke before flowers were laid for the victims and a minute's silence observed.

Lucky Nizamu, chairman of Newbury Mosque who organised the walk, said. "We came to show our solidarity and that we condemn what has happened.

"We want to show that we are British and our thoughts are with the people who lost their lives and loved ones.

The march makes its way from Newbury Mosque to the town centre

"The support of the community coming together from the different faiths has been great, and we had loads of lovely people supporting us to make this event a success "

Five people were killed in the terrorist attack in Westminster on March 22

PC Keith Palmer, London residents Aysha Frade and Leslie Rhodes and American tourist Kurt Cochran died after the attack, and were honoured during the march.

The fifth person, Andreea Cristea, a Romanian tourist, succumbed to her injuries last Thursday, the day after the march was held.

Cllr Swift-Hook said "We are an open, diverse and welcoming society in this country, in this district, in this town, and that will not change as a result of this attack.

"This event demonstrates that it brings us closer together"

Mr Benyon said "Acts like that in Westminster and all the others before it – and sadly the ones that will be to come – are not in our name, not in the name of any faith, not in those of no faith at all.

"I want to thank everybody for being part of this very moving, very important ceremony"

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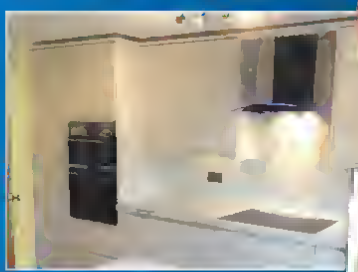

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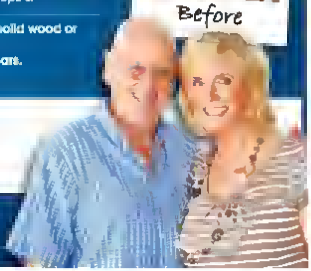

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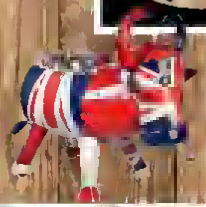

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STREATLEY A petition has been set up calling on West Berkshire Council 'to establish parking restrictions in Streatley High Street.

Some residents have raised concerns that unrestricted parking on the road is leading to congestion at peak periods.

To view or sign the petition, go to westberks gov uk/petitions

Burger branch

NEWBURY The Gourmet Burger Kitchen has opened a new branch in the town centre

The restaurant opened in Market Place at the former Hoggs and Hoof site on Monday

Boost for school

THEALE Theale Green School has been given a grant from the Government to make improvements to its buildings.

The school has received almost £2m in grants from the Department of Education since 2013 and the latest funding will pay for the windows to be replaced.

A statement from the school said "This project has helped to ensure the school building is much more efficient as well as aesthetically pleasing."

The school, in Church Road, was built in 1953

Steph to defy the odds to complete marathon

By Adam Flinn

A NEWBURY animal lover who broke her back in a horse riding accident three years ago is set to take on the Virgin Money London Marathon this month.

Stephanie Haines was out riding her new horse when the accident happened in 2014.

She fractured her spine and slipped two discs leaving her in unbearable agony and struggling to move

But after a long and arduous recovery period, the 32-year old is back on her feet and ready to take on the 26.2 miles around the streets of Londoo on April 23

"My accident happened in 2014 so getting to the stage where I'm able to run, let alone tackle an entire marathon, has been a slow painful process," said Stephanie.

"I was taking a new horse for a ride when it happened. I didn't realise anything was wrong until a few days later when I was struggling to walk or move my legs.

"I couldn't believe what had happened. I was in so much pain and could barely move for four months"

Stephanie, who works as an accountant, is raising money for animal charity PDSA, and has set a target of £1 900.

Stephanie said it would be a major accomplishment just to make the finish line

"I used to run before the injury but it s taken me a long time to get my strength back," she said.

"Once I was able to get up and out of bed I started with gentle exercises I have slowly built up to run long distances.

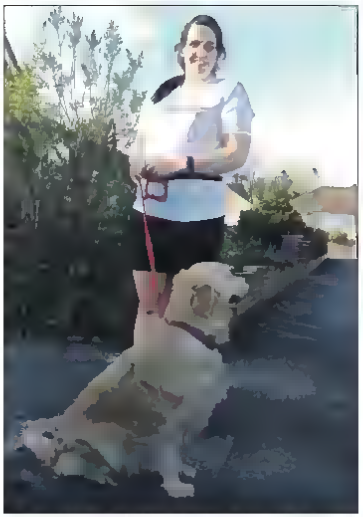
"It has taken eight months of training to get to where I am now and the marathon has been my goal all along.

"I know it s not going to be a fast run, but if I get across the finish line then I'll be over the moon."

PDSA community events fundraiser Rosie Gibbons said "Stephanie's amazing marathon effort means many pets will receive the vital veterinary treatment they need and we're enormously grateful to have her support.

"We'll be cheering Stephanie and the rest of Team PDSA runners along and I hope local animal lovers will support her too"

To donate to Stephanie, go to uk virginmoneygiving.com/stephhurd1.



Stephanie Haines is taking on the London Marathon later the month

'Reduce list of medicine available to save £1.8m'

GPS should stop prescribing over the-counter medicines in a bid to save £1.8million a year

That is the view of the Newbury Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) which along with three others in Berkshire is calling for a review into what should be available on prescription.

This could mean removing painkillers, cold remedies, vitamins and sunscreen.

Dr Abid Irfan, a Newbury GP and chairman of the Berkshire West Federation, said: "These changes could save up to £1 8m a year which could be spent on other NHS services to benefit more patients.

"We're launching a consultation so that local people can give us their views."

Another issue the consultation is looking at is wasted medicines. The current repeat prescribing system can lead to a lot of medicine being stockpiled or going out of date.

The proposals would also mean the NHS no looger funds travel vaccines Patients would need to pay for these themselves

The consultation is running until April 25

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Firefighters to run 10k in full kit and with a ladder

A TEAM of firefighters dressed in their full kit are set to take on this year's Bayer 10k in Newbury – while carrying a nine metre rescue ladder.

The Newbury team previously competed in the race two years ago in their protective gear but have set themselves the added challenge of running with the ladder for 2017.

People are being encouraged to enter this year's race, which takes place on May 28.

Team co-ordinator Martyn Doolin said: "It is called a nine metre ladder but when not extended it will be approximately three metres long.

"We don't have any data on weight for the ladder as it isn't used widely, but it won't be light!"

This year's event is the 18th.

Once again money is being raised for Hampshire hospice Naomi House and Jacksplace and Newbury Athletic Club.

Runners can submit their entries online at bayer co.uk, where there is a link to the official entry form.

Firefighters completing the 2015 race in their full kits

Two more strikes by AWE staff

THE long-running dispute between 600 unhappy workers and their bosses at Atomic Weapons Establishment (AWE) is continuing with two more days of strike action.

Staff represented by trade union Unite walked out of sites in Aldermaston and Burghfield on Friday and Monday after being embroiled in a drawn out battle over major changes to their pension scheme.

It follows 10 days of strike action since November at the sites where the Trident nuclear programme is being manufactured. Further strikes are planned for April 20 and 24, and May 4 and 8.

Members of fellow trade union Prospect agreed to end their industrial action in February after reaching an agreement with AWE.

Talks between Unite representatives and AWE management are ongoing.

An AWE spokesperson said: "We are committed to establishing future pension arrangements that are both affordable for our staff and attractive to future employees.

"Improvements have been made to the new scheme and additional benefits have been included."

Virtual reality bus hampers senses to simulate dementia

By Adam Flinn

RESIDENTS in Newbury got the chance to see what life is like for someone with dementia when a special bus came to town.

The Virtual Dementia Tour deprives participants of their primary senses to simulate the frustration and anxiety those living with the condition face on a daily basis.

It is operated by Training2Care and uses a converted bus to give people a better understanding of dementia as well as working to improve care standards.

One of those who took part was Stewart Stretton Hill, who works as a senior associate at Irwin Mitchell in Newbury.

He said: "The experience impaired our vision, touch and hearing, making it very difficult to understand and interact with our environment.

"Being on the bus played with our ability to understand simple instructions and the information being provided to us and gave a small glimpse into the impact dementia can have on daily life.

"Most importantly it highlighted to us the importance of understanding and patience when interacting with people who are living with dementia."

Stewart also helps to run the local Dementia Action Alliance and the Newbury Dementia Forum, along with Dementia Friends champion Ben Saunders.

Ben runs sessions for the public and local businesses raising awareness for the challenges people living with dementia face.

He said: "One crucial method of spreading dementia awareness in Newbury and the surrounding areas is for people to attend Dementia Friends information sessions.

"These are informal sessions run by volunteers that explain simply the ways in which dementia can change people's lives.

"The key focus of the sessions however is that there is always more to the person than the dementia.

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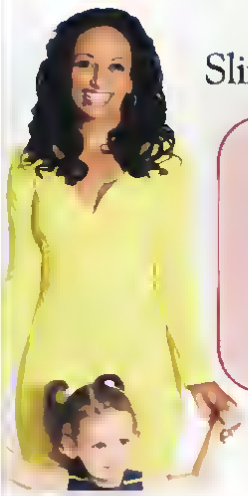

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5 Turkish official (5)
8 Shortly (4)
9 American game (8)
10 Large character (7,6)
13 Hall (4)
14 Ponder (4)
17 Cameramen (13)
19 Ambitious person (8)
20 Lend (4)
21 Aspects (5)
22 Speak to (7)

Quick Clues Down

2 Lunatic (6)
3 Can be stretched (7)
4 Including (9)
5 Fragment (5)
6 US west coast port (7)
7 Enticed (7)
11 Thrashed (9)
12 Revokes (7)
13 Bent forward (7)
15 Learned person (7)
16 Reverses (6)
18 Man-eating monsters (5)

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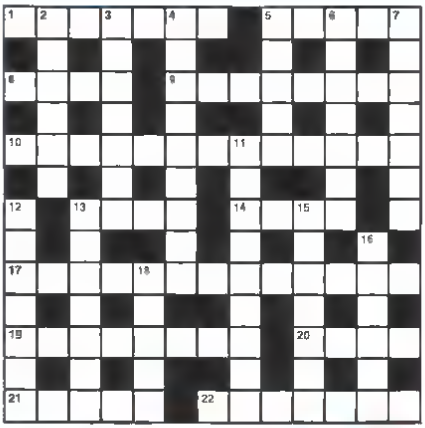
Cryptic Clues Across

1 Are in a cosy place as close as possible (7)
5 Pipes that begin with a bath (5)
8 Spirit shown after biting the dust (4)
9 Cured by taking half the medicine in a pipe (8)
10 Can Latin start on the other side of the ocean? (13)
13 An insular jumble of lies (4)
14 Piano teacher hides part of the keyboard (4)
17 Lists the Italian river on nearly full measure (13)
19 Little scientist, in right the wrong, should find food
20 Grope for the sole prize? (4)
21 Unhappily put the slogan in a cunning framework (5)
22 Take less; it isn't worth much (7)

Cryptic Clues Down

2 Goes the wrong way round or makes mistakes (6)
3 Circles round at grades (7)
4 Rare stems for flags (9)
5 At the different Greek character (5)
6 A bit of a brush with a broken blister (7)
7 Cocktail on a motor bike? (7)
11 Dons enrol for the capital life in England (9)
12 Swears at Imits (7)
13 I note well that the road is badly made for the engine (9)
15 Though out of order the lute with fun can be melodious (7)
16 Gives oath that heals round head of sore (6)
18 Al for oriental warming light (5)



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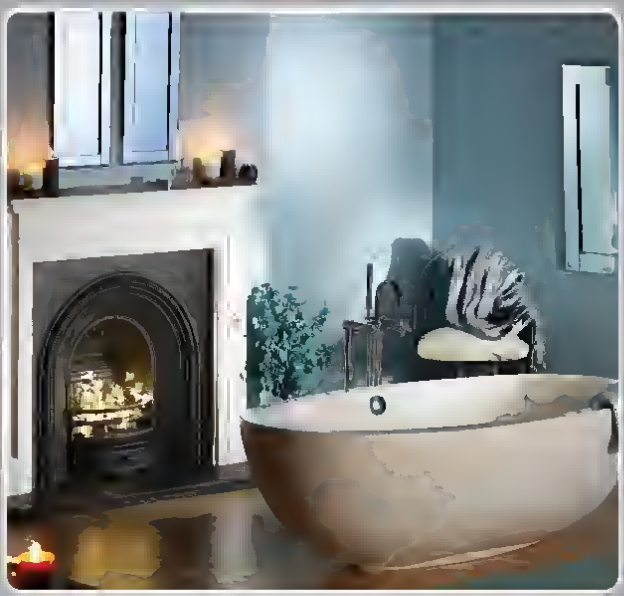

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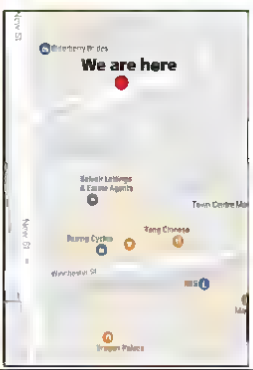

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The objective is to fill a 9×9 grid with digits so that each column, each row and each of the nine 3×3 sub-grids that compose the grid (also called "boxes", "blocks", "regions" or "sub-squares") contains all of the digits from 1 to 9. The puzzle setter provides a partially completed grid, which for a well-posed puzzle has a unique solution.

EASY/MEDIUM/HARD

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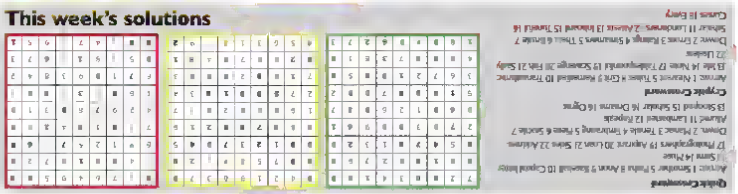
This week's solutions



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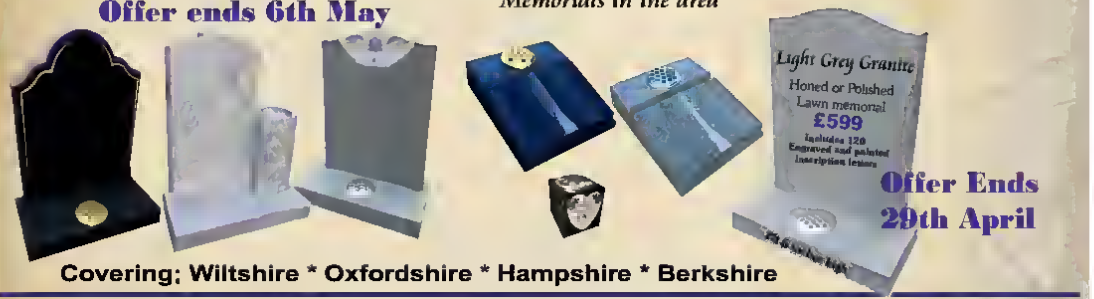

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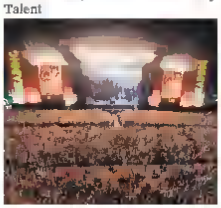
As always, there is a huge supporting lineup of the best artists from across the current musical spectrum. Among those joining Kasabian on Friday 25th August will be Bastille, Two Door Cinema Club, Fat Boy Slim, You Me at Six, Lethal Bizzle and Billy Talent.



Closing date: Friday, May 19

Saturday 26th sees Major Lazer, Korn, Flume, Oxford's own Glass Animals, Andy C, While She Sleeps and Black Lips covering all the bases ahead of Eminem's unmissable headline show.

And before Muse take over the main stage on Sunday 27th August, fans can take in the return of the mighty Liam Gallagher Blossoms, Giggs, Haim, Wiley, Marshmello, The Hunna and Ash across the various stages.

In fact almost 200 acts have been announced so far with more to come including the BBC Introducing and Alternative stages for the best in comedy and up and coming acts. There really is something for every music fan to make Reading 2017 an unforgettable weekend with your mates.

For the full lineup and to buy tickets visit www.readingfestival.com

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We have a pair of weekend camping tickets up for grabs and to be in with a chance of winning them, all you have to do is answer the following simple question.

Q: What is the title of Kasabian's forthcoming new album?

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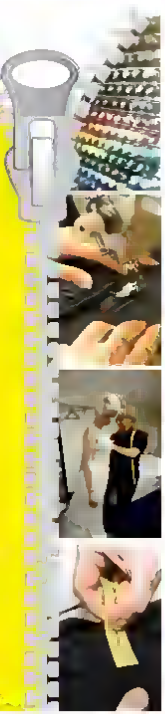

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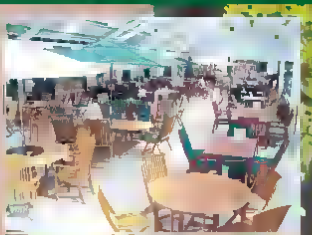

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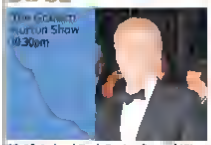
Friday April 14th

DAYTIME

BBC1



10 00 Animal Park Easter Special (S)
10.45 Homes Under the Hammer (S)(R)
11.45 Fake Britain (S)(R) 12.15 Bargain Hunt (S) 1.00 BBC News at One (S) 1.15 BBC Regional News (S) 1.25 Doctors (S) 1.55 The Code (S) 2.40 Escape to the Country (S) 3.40 Garden Rescue (S)(R) 4.10 Money for Nothing (S) 4.55 Flog It! (S)(R) 5.45 Pointless (S)(R) 6.30 BBC News at Six (S) 6.50 BBC Regional News and Weather (S)

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7.00 The One Show Angela Scanlon presents the final edition of the week (S)
7.30 A Question of Sport (S)(R)

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8.00 EastEnders Martin learns that Michelle has been invited for dinner (S)
8.30 MasterChef (S)

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9.00 Decline and Fall Paul finds himself in deep trouble with the law after valiantly taking the fall for the murky deeds of his fiancee Margot. Starring Jack Whitehall. Last in the series. (S)

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10.00 BBC News at Ten (S)
10.20 BBC Regional News (S)
10.30 The Graham Norton Show Guests include Miranda Hart, Warren Beatty and Peter Capaldi (S)

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11.15 Witless (S)
11.45 FILM Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy (2004) (12) Comedy set in the 1970s starring Will Ferrell. (S)

AFTER

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1.20 Weather for the Week Ahead (S)
1.25 BBC News (S)

BBC2

6.30 The Sheriffs Are Coming (S)(R) 7.15 Money for Nothing (S)(R) 8.00 Sign Zone: DIY SOS: The Big Build (S)(R) 9.00 FILM Tober Bell and the Pirate Fairy (2014) (U) (S) 10.10 FILM Easter Parade (1948) (U) (S) 11.50 Track Cycling: World Championships (S) 2.40 FILM King of Kings (1961) (U) (S) 5.15 Jeguars Born Free. Natural World Special (S)(R) 6.00 The Repair Shop (S) 6.30 Eggheads (S)

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7.00 Mary Berry's Easter Feast Mary explores the foods that bring each different community together on Easter Sunday (S) (R)

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8.00 Gardeners' World Nick Bailey gets to grips with an unpromising patch of grass and gives his tips on how to achieve a luscious lawn. (S)

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9.00 FILM Selma (2014) (12) Premiere. Fact-based drama starring David Oyelowo (S)

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11.00 Later – with Jools Holland The 50th season of the show gets under way with performances including Kasabian and Goldfrapp (S)

AFTER

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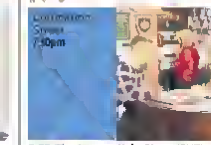
12.05 Amazing Netelie: Life Beyond the Lobby (S)(R) 1.05 Sign Zone: Inside the Latter Police—Panorama (S)(R) 1.35 Fauls Rego: Secrets and Stories (S)(R) 3.05 This is BBC Two (S)

ITV



9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R) 10.30 FILM Rest in Peace, Mrs Columbo (1990) (PG) (S) 12.30 Loose Women (S) 1.25 ITV Lunchtime News, Weather (S) 1.35 ITV Regional News, Weather (S) 1.40 All Star Family Fortunes (S)(R) 2.25 Judge Rinder (S) 3.25 Chopping Block (S) 4.25 Tipping Point (S) 5.25 The Chase (S) 6.25 ITV Regional News, Weather (S) 6.45 ITV Evening News, Weather (S)

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7.00 Emmerdale (S)
7.30 Coronation Street Steve begs Michelle to attend marriage counselling. (S)

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8.00 Judge Rinder's Crime Stories A bit-and-run case involving an 11 year-old boy. (S)
8.30 Coronation Street (S)

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9.00 Lethal Weapon As Riggs and Murtaugh examine a murder they follow a trail of evidence that leads them to a dangerous underground investigation led by the DEA. (S)

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10.00 The Nightly Show with Jason Manford (S)
10.30 ITV News' Weather (S)
10.45 FILM Crank (2006) (18) Action thriller...starring Jason Statham and Amy Smart. (S)

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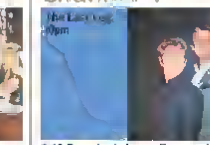
12.25 The Nightly Show with Jason Manford (S)(R) 12.50 Jackpot247 3.10 Storage Hoarders (S)(R) 3.50 ITV Nightscreen

Channel 4



6.45 Everybody Loves Raymond (S) (R) 7.35 The Big Bang Theory (S)(R) 8.30 The Simpsons (S)(R) 10.00 FILM The Phantom (1996) (12) (S) 11.55 Formula 1 Bahrain Grand Prix Practice 1 Live (S) 1.35 Extreme Food (S) 2.05 Countdown (S) 2.55 Fifteen to One (S) 3.55 Formula 1 Bahrain Grand Prix Practice 2 Live (S) 5.35 The Simpsons (S)(R) 6.30 Hollyoaks (S)

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7.00 Channel 4 News (S)
7.30 Unreported World Krishnen Guru-Murthy investigates the fledgling democracy in Myanmar. (S)

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8.00 The Wild Weekenders Adam Buxton, Arthur Williams and Clem Green present a guide to what there is to do in Devon. (S)

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9.00 Gogglebox Capturing the households instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. (S)

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10.00 The Last Leg Adam Hills, Josh Widdicombe and Alex Brooker are joined by celebrity guests for a comic review of the significant moments of the past seven days. (S)

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11.05 Rude Tube A selection of clips celebrating people who have found fame through viral videos (S)(R)

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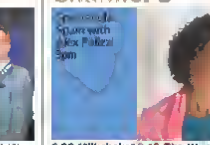
12.10 How'd You Get So Rich? (S)(R) 12.55 FILM Spring Breakers (2012) (18) (S) 2.30 The Circuit (S)(R) 3.10 Building the Dream (S) 4.05 Shipping Wars UK (S)(R) 4.30 Kirstie's Vintage Gems (S)(R) 4.50 Fifteen to One (S)(R) 5.45 Motor Sport: Caterham (S)

Channel 5



6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff 11.25 Funniest Fails: Falls & Flops (S)(R) 12.55 5 News Lunchtime (S) 1.20 Home and Away (S) 1.50 Neighbours (S) 2.05 FILM Ben-Hur (1959) (PG) (S) 5.05 Neighbours Amy helps Jack out at the church...(S)(R) 5.35 Home and Away (S)(R) 6.05 Last Days of Jesus Documentary examining the events of the crucifixion (S) 5 News Update...(S)

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8.00 Tony Robinson's Coast to Coast The presenter reaches the North Yorkshire Moors and takes to the skies for a bird's-eye view (S) 5 News Update (S)

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9.00 Spectacular Spain with Alex Polizzi Alex arrives in the popular holiday region of Andalucia and begins her exploration at the Tabernas desert in Almeria. (S)

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10.00 The World's Most Luxurious Cruise Ship Pen one of two Following engineers and designers as they construct the liner Seven Seas Explorer (S)(R)

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11.00 Football on 5: The Championship (S)
11.50 Football on 5: Goal Rush Goals from the weekend's games in Leagues One and Two. (S)

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12.15 SuperCasino 3 10 GPs: Behind Closed Doors (S)(R) 4.00 Yorkshire: A Year in the Wild (S)(R) 4.45 House Doctor (S)(R) 5.10 Great Artists (S)(R) 5.35 Nick's Quest (S)(R)

DIGITAL

ITV2 SKY 116 FV 6

8.00 Planet's Funniest Animals 8.25 You've Been Framed! Gold 7.15 Ridiculous Got Talent Our Top 10 Ant and Dec Moments 8.05 Emmerdale 8.10 You've Been Framed! Gold 9.40 Harsh Love 12.10 Emmerdale 1.10 FILM Step Up (2006) (PG) 2.10 FYI Daily 2.15 FILM Step Up (2006) (PG) 3.25 FILM St Trinian's (2007) (12) 4.25 FYI Daily 4.30 FILM St Trinian's (2007) (12) 5.20 FILM Despicable Me 2 (2013) (U) 5.20 FYI Daily 5.20 FILM Despicable Me 2 (2013) (U) 7.25 FILM The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (2001) (PG) 8.25 FYI Daily 8.30 FILM The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (2001) (PG) 11.00 Family Guy 11.55 American Dad 12.55 Two and a Half Men 1.25 Deals 2.20 Telesheopping 3.00 ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY 119 FV 10

6.00 You're Only Young Twice 6.40 On the Buses 7.20 A Touch of Frost 8.25 Agatha Christie's Marple 11.25 FILM On the Buses (1971) (PG) 12.25 FYI Daily 12.30 FILM On the Buses (1971) (PG) 1.10 FILM Carry On Cruising (1962) (U) 2.10 FYI Daily 2.20 FILM Carry On Cruising (1962) (U) 3.05 FILM Carry On Screaming (1966) (PG) 4.05 FYI Daily 4.10 FILM Carry On Screaming (1966) (PG) 5.05 FILM Carry On Cowboy (1966) (U) 6.00 FYI Daily 6.10 FILM Carry On Cowboy (1966) (U) 7.00 Murder She Wrote 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Agatha Christie's Marple 11.00 The Suspicions of Mr Whicher 1.10 FILM Elizabeth: The Golden Age (2007) (12) 2.10 FYI Daily 2.15 FILM Elizabeth: The Golden Age (2007) (12) 3.10 Wycliffe 4.00 Long Lost Family 4.55 On the Buses 5.50 ITV3 Nightscreen

BBC4 SKY 116 FV 9

7.00 World News Today Weather 7.30 Top of the Pops: 1983 8.00 BBC Young Dancer 2017 9.00 Top of the Pops: The Story of 1980 10.00 Top of the Pops: 1980 Big Hits 11.00 Music for Maths: The Story of Pi 0 12.00 Top of the Pops: 1983 12.30 Top of the Pops: The Story of 1980 1.30 Top of the Pops: 1980 Big Hits 2.30 Music for Maths: The Story of India 3.30 Close

E4 SKY 136 FV 26

5.00 Hollyoaks 5.30 Coach Trip: Road to Ibiza 6.55 Baby Daddy 7.55 Rules of Engagement 8.55 Brooklyn Nine-Nine 10.00 Melissa & Joey 11.00 Baby Daddy

12.00 How I Met You Mother 1.00 The Goldbergs 2.00 The Big Bang Theory 3.00 How I Met You Mother 4.00 Brooklyn Nine-Nine 8.00 The Goldbergs 5.00 The Big Bang Theory 7.00 Hollyoaks 7.30 Brooklyn Nine-Nine 8.00 The Big Bang Theory 9.00 FILM Transporter 2 (2005) (15) 10.45 The Big Bang Theory 11.40 Trailer Fixers 12.45 Ed's Tattoo: A test of the Year 1.50 Bizarre Eh 2.40 First Dates 3.35 Rude Tube 4.00 Rules of Engagement 4.40 Melissa & Joey 5.05 Charmed

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV 14

8.55 Time Team 9.55 A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun 11.00 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun 11.00 Come Dine with Me 2.40 Four Rooms 3.15 Come Dine with Me 7.55 Grand Designs 8.00 Sport 10 05 24 Hours in A&E 12.10 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA 1.10 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 2.10 24 Hours in A&E 3.10 8 Out of 10 Cats: Best bits 3.55 Close

FILM4 SKY 315 FV 15

11.00 The Muppet Movie (1979) (U) 12.05 The Great Muppet Caper (1981) (U) 3.00 The Muppet Christmas Carol (1992) (U) 4.40 Muppet Treasure Island (1996) (U) 6.50 The Jewel of the Nile (1985) (PG) 9.00 Bad Neighbours (2014) (15) 10.40 High Rise (2015) (15) 1.10 The Big Lebowski (1998) (18) 3.35 Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.15 Storage Hunters 8.00 Top Gear 10.50 Dara O Briain's Go 8 Bit 12.00 Red Bull Soapbox Race 2.20 Red Bull Soapbox: Mumbai 3.20 Top Gear: Polar Challenge 4.25 Steve Austin's Broken Skull Challenge 5.25 Top Gear 7.00 Top Gear: Botswana Special 8.00 Ronnie's Redneck Road Trip 9.00 FILM: Lethal Weapon 3 (1992) (15) 11.20 Would I Lie to You? 1.20 Ronnie's Redneck Road Trip 2.20 Suits 6.40 Close

DRAMA SKY 158 FV 20

7.10 Birds of a Feather 7.40 Call the Midwife 8.00 The Brokenwood Mysteries 10.00 New Tricks 11.20 Jonathan Creek 1.55 The Agatha Christie Hour 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY: 106

6.00 Hawaii Five-0 7.00 Animal House 8.00 Monkey Life 9.00 David Attenborough's Conquest of the Skies 10.00 Modern Family 12.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 1.00 Hawaii Five-0 3.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 4.00 The Simpsons 4.30 Modern Family 5.30 The Simpsons 8.00 Carters Get Rich 8.30 Modern Family 9.00 Stan Lee's Lucky Man 10.00 The Blacklist: Redemption 11.00 A League of Their Own 12.00 Duck Quacks Don't Echo 1.00 Air Ambulance ER 2.00 First Copy: Rapid Response 3.00 Hawaii Five-0 4.00 Animal House 5.00 Road Wars

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 Fish Town 9.00 The West Wing 11.00 Cold Case 11.00 House 1.00 Blue Bloods 2.00 The Guest Wing 3.00 The West Wing 5.00 Cold Case 6.00 House 7.00 Blue Bloods 8.00 David Attenborough's Conquest of the Skies 8.00 Game of Thrones 11.00 Deadwood 1.20 Banshee 3.20 Silicon Valley 4.00 Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets

W SKY 109

6.10 Cross 7.00 Heston's Fantastical Food 12.00 My Family 5.20 Mr Stink 6.40 FILM: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (2005) (PG) 9.00 One Born Every Minute 10.00 EastEnders 10.40 FILM: Coming to America (1988) (15) 1.00 EastEnders 1.40 Resurrection 2.30 Life is Tuff 3.00 Home Shopping

GOLD SKY: 110

7.00 Last of the Summer Wine 7.35 The Green Green Grass 8.10 The Incredible Adventures of Professor Branestawm 9.20 Harry Hill in Professor Branestawm Returns 10.40 The Roy in the Dryer 11.55 Billionaire Boy 1.10 FILM: The Spy Next Door (2010) (PG) 3.15 Wallace & Gromit: A Grand Day Out 3.45 Wallace & Gromit: The Wrong Trousers 4.25 Wallace & Gromit: A Close Shave 5.05 Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death 5.45 FILM: Looney Tunes: Back in Action (2003) (PG) 7.35 FILM: Ace Ventura: Pet Detective (1994) (12) 9.10 FILM: Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls (1995) (PG) 11.00 The Mighty Boosh

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY 401

6.00 Football Golf 7.00 Good Morning Sports Fans 8.00 The Fantasy Football Club 10.00 Football Golf 11.00 The Fantasy Football Club 12.00 Live National Super League 2.45 Live EFL 4.30 Live EFL 7.15 Live EFL 10.15 Premier League Preview 10.40 The Fantasy Football Club 11.45 Sporting Triumphs 11.00 Premier League Preview 12.30 Ricky Burns – My Greatest Night 1.00 The Fantasy Football Club 2.00 Ricky Burns – My Greatest Night 2.30 Premier League Years 4.30 Sporting Heroes: Kriss Akabusi-Interviews Daley Thompson 5.30 Spanish Football Gold

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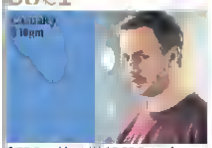

DAYTIME

6.00 Breakfast (S) 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live (S) 11.30 Mary Berry's Absolute Favourites (S)(R) 12.00 Football Focus (S) 1.00 BBC News, Weather (S) 1.45 Live Snooker: The World Championship (S) 4.30 Final Score A round-up of this afternoon's football results. (S) 5.30 Who Does Wins (S) 6.10 BBC News (S) 6.20 BBC Regional News, Weather (S) 6.30 Pointless Celebrities (S)

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7.20 **Doctor Who** New series. The Time Lord meets a girl with a star in her eye. (S)

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8.10 **Casualty** A man plans his own wife in danger as he seeks to bring justice to a bully ng boss. (S)

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9.00 **All Round to Mrs Brown's** Sue Perkins, Emilia Fox and Ashley Sanjo and his mother Danielle Jolh Agnes Brown in her studio-horn for a nhat. Includes musin by Aston Merrygold. (S)

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10.00 **BBC News, Weather** (S)
10.20 **Match of the Day** Gary Lineket presents highlights of thi latest Premier Lnagun matches which include Southampton v Manchester City (S)

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11.45 **FILM Rescue Dawn (2006)** (12) Wirner Herzog s Vietnam War drama, starr ng Christian Bale and Steve Zahn (S)

AFTER 12

1.45 **Weather for the Week Ahead** (S)
2.50 BBC News (S)

BBC2

6.05 **FILM Up Periscope (1959) (U)** (S) 7.55 **FILM The Heroes of Telemark (1965) (PG)** (S) 10.00 **Live Snooker: The World Championship** (S) 12.00 **Track Cycling World Championships** (S) 3.30 **Gardeners' World** (S)(R) 4.30 **Live Snooker: The World Championship** (S) 5.30 **Nature's Weirdest Events** (S)(R) 5.45 **Easter Irom King's 2017** (S)

7.00 **Live Snooker: The World Championship** The concluding sess on on the opening day at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield. (S)

8.00 **Grand Tours of Scotland** (S)
8.30 **Dad's Army** Ma nwaring and Wilson are trapped in thn bank vault with an unexploded bomb. (S)(R)

9.00 **Q I XL** With panellists Noel Fielding, Rhod Gilbert and Carlad Lloyd. (S)
9.45 **FILM War of the Worlds (2005) (12)** Steven Spelberg's sci-fi thriller with Tom Cruise. (S)

10.35 **ITV News, Weather** (S)
10.40 **FILM The Expendables (2010) (15)** Continued. (S)

11.35 **Snooker: The World Championship** Highlights of thn opening day from Sheffield. (S)

12.25 **Snooker: World Championship Extra** (S) 2.25 **This Is BBC Two** (S)

ITV

9.30 **Weekend** (S) 10.25 **James Martin's French Adventure** (S)(P)
11.25 **ITV News: Weather** (S) 11.35 **FILM The Flintstones (1994) (U)** (S) 1.20 **FILM The Secret of My Success (1987) (PG)** (S) 3.30 **Tipping Point** (S) (R) 4.30 **Fantastin Beasts and)K Powlings Wizarding World** (S)(R) 5.30 **ITV Ragional News**, Weather (S) 5.45 **ITV News** (S) 6.00 **Opnration Magic** (S)

7.00 **Take Me Out** New series. A model a nircus performer a football coach and a salisman try to get the female participants to keep their lights on. (S)

8.00 **Britain's Got Talent** New series. The nationwide talent search returns for an 11th sirins. (S)

9.25 **FILM The Expendables (2010) (15)** Action thriller, directed by and starring Sylvester Stallonn With Jason Statham and Jet Li (S)

9.00 **FILM The Imitation Game (2014) (12)** Biopic of Alan Tunng. Starr ng Benedict Cumbelbatch and Kela Knightley. (S)

Channel 4

8.30 **Frasier** (S)(R) 9.30 **The Big Bang Theory** (S)(R) 10.55 **The Simpsons** (S)(P) 12.20 **Extreme Food** (S) 12.55 **Formula 1 Bahrain Grand Prix Practice 3 Live** (S) 2.25 **F1 Meets Murray Walker** (S) 2.55 **Formula 1 Bahrain Grand Prix Qualifying Live** (S) 5.30 **Travel Man: 48 Hours to Naples** (S)(P) 6.00 **Channel 4 News** (S) 6.30 **FILM The Book Thief (2013) (12)** (S)

11.15 **FILM Solomon Kane (2010) (15)** Fantasy thi llnr with James Purefey and Pete Postlerthwaite. (S)

1.05 **Ramsay's Bitchen Nightmares USA** (S)(R) 1.55 **Hollyoaks** (S)(R) 4.00 **Phil Spencer: Secret Agent** (S)(P) 4.50 **Four in a Bed** (S)(R) 5.15 **Location... Location Location** (S)(P)

Channel 5

9.55 **Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles** (S)(R) 10.30 **Football on 5 The Championship** (S)(P) 11.15 **Football on 5 Real Rusk** (S)(R) 11.40 **Police Interceptors Unleashed** (S)(R) 12.10 **Police Interceptors** (S)(R) 1.10 **Bargain Bilde on Benefits** (S)(P) 2.10 **Oe Bennfits. Life on the Dole** (S)(R) 4.15 **Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords** (S)(R) 5.15 **Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away** (S)(R)

7.15 **NCIS: Los Angeles** Part two of two. Kensl goes in search of her father's killn. (S)

8.00 **NCIS** Gibbs surgeon Dr Cynl Talt helps the team investigate a raid on a naval base. (S)
8.55 **5 News Weekend** (S)

9.00 **Most Shocking Celebrity Moments. The 00s** A trawl of memorablin mn drints caught on camera, beginning with a look back at thn noughtns. (S)(R)

12.55 **Access Showbiz** news and gossip

12.00 **SuperCasino 3** 10 **FILM Knock Off (1998) (18)** Action thriller, starring Jean-Claudn Van Damme (S) 4.50 **House Doctor** (S)(P) 5.15 **Wildfe SOS** (S)(R) 5.40 **Angels of Jarm** (S)(R) 5.50 **Rotary the Pacing Car** (S)(P)

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6.00 The Hot Desk. Vicky Pattison 6.10 Emmerdale 6.30 Coronation Street 11.00 Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway 12.35 Britain's Got Talent: Top 10 Daredevils 1.40 Geordie Love 4.45 FILM Happy Feet (2006) (U) 6.40 FYI Daily 5.45 FILM Happy Feet (2006) (U) 6.45 FILM Bean (1997) (PG) 7.45 FYI Daily 7.50 FILM Bean (1997) (PG) Concluded 8.30 Scorp on 5.25 Britain's Got More Talent 10.20 Celebrity Juice 12.20 Family Guy 12.45 American Dad 1.40 Through the Keyhole 2.35 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records 2.55 Teleshopping 5.55 ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY 119 FV 10

6.00 You in Only Young Twice 6.50 On the Buses 7.20 FILM Carry On Screaming (1966) (PG) 8.20 FYI Daily 8.25 FILM Carry On Screaming (1966) (PG) 9.20 FILM Carry On Cowboy (1966) (U) 10.20 FYI Daily 10.25 FILM Carry On Cowboy (1966) (U) 12.20 FILM Holiday on thn Buses (1973) (PG) 12.30 FYI Do ly 12.35 FILM, Holiday on the Buses (1973) (PG) 1.25 FILM Carry On Abroad (1972) (PG) 2.15 FYI Daily 2.20 FILM, Carry On Abroad (1972) (PG) 3.05 FILM, Carry On Doctor (1967) (PG) 4.05 FYI Daily 4.10 FILM, Carry On Doctor (1967) (PG) 5.05 FILM Carry On Behind (1975) (PG) 6.05 FYI Daily 6.10 FILM Carry On Behind (1975) (PG) 7.00 Midsomer Murders 11.00 Lowa 1.00 Wycliffe 2.05 ITV3 Nightscreen 2.30 Teleshopping

BBC4 SKY 116 FV 9

7.00 The Silk Road 8.00 Tanklns Tank Heroes of WWII 9.00 FILM Department Q: The Absent One (2014) (18) Premiere...Crime thriller starring Nikolaj Coster-Waldau 10.55 Top of the Pops: 1983 12.05 Chas & Dave: Last Orders 1.05 Lindnn Songs at the RBC 2.05 Squeeze: Take Me I m Yours 3.05 Sounds of the Eighties 3.35 Close

E4 SKY 136 FV 26

6.00 Rude(ish) Tube Shorts 6.15 How I Met Your Mother 7.00 Block-ish 7.30 The Goldbergs 9.00 Marla n Chelsea 10.00 Melissa & Joey 12.30 The Goldbergs 3.00 FILM Evolution (2001) (PG) Sci-fi comedy starring Dav d Duchovny 5.00 The Big Bang Theory 9.00 FILM Taken 2 (2012) (12) Action thriller sequel starr ng Liam Neeson 10.50 Gogglebox 12.50 Celebrity First Dates 1.40 Naked Attraction 2.50 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD 3.35 Gogglebox 4.25 How I Met Your Mother

MORE4 SKY 136 FV 14

9.55 Homes by thn Sea 8.55 Location, Location, Location 11.00 Cowat vs Country 12.00 Come Dine with Me 2.40 Four n a Bed 5.20 Come Dine with Me 9.00 Shakespeare s Tomb 5.00 It Was Alright in the 1960s 10.05 It Was Alright in the 1980s 11.10 The World s G eatest Sky Mvies 12.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 1.00 Father Ted 2 55 8 Out of 10 Cats Uncut 3.40 Close

FILM4 SKY 315 FV 15

11.00 Day of the Wrnpy Kid (2010) (PG) 1.00 Home Alone (1990) (PG) 3.10 Stuart Little (1999) (U) 4.50 Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (2009) (U) Animated adventure sequel with the voice of John Legu zamo. 6.45 The River Wild (1994) (12) Act on thriller, starring Meryl Streep 9.00 X-Men: First Class (2011) (12) Superhero adventure prequel with James McAvoy and Michael Fassbender 11.35 The Wind-II Massacre (2018) (18) Premiere. Horror starring Charlotte Beaumont 1.18 Resident Evil: Apocalypse (2004) (15) 3.25 Close

DAVE SKY 111 FV 12

7.00 Red Bull Soapbox: Mumbai 7.00 Red Bull Soapbox Race 8.20 Top Gear 11.00 Dam O Rnnns Go B nt 1.00 Top Gear Polsoane Special 2.00 Top Gear USA Spec al 3.00 Cops UK: Bodycam Squad 4.00 Gavin & Stacey 6.00 Top Gear Ind a Special 8.00 Top Gear USA Special 9.00 FILM: RocknRolla (2008) (15) Premere, Crime comedy starring Gerard Butler 11.10 Live at the Apollo 12.10 Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled 1.10 QI XL 2.10 Room 101 2.50 Suits 4.00 Close

DRAMA SKY 156 FV 20

7.10 Rldis of a Feather 7.45 Call thn M dwife 3.40 Call the Mdwife: Christmas Special 2013 5.20 Call thn M dwife 8.00 Mirage and Lucia 9.20 Jonathan Creek 2.00 Mirage and Lucia 3.10 The Agathe Christin Hour 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY 106

8.00 Wild Things 6.55 Hawaii Five-0 7.45 Football's Funniest Moments 8.10 Game Changers 8.45 The Fantasy Football Club 9.45 Soccer AM 11.30 Live Premier League 12 30 Thr F1 Show 1.00 FILM: Stargate — Ark of Truth (2008) (12) 3 00 Gillette Soccer Saturday 5.10 Football Gold 5.30 MocCyvin 8.00 The Simpsons 8.00 Modern Family 9 00 FILM: Thn Hunt for Red October (1990) (PG) Cold War thriller starring Sean Connery 12.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 12.00 A League of Their Own 11.00 Cowat vs Country 12 00 Come Dine with Me 2.40 Four n a Bed 5.20 Come Dine with Me 9.00 Shakespeare s Tomb 5.00 It Was Alright in the 1960s 10.05 It Was Alright in the 1980s 11.10 The World s G eatest Sky Mvies 12.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 1.00 Father Ted 2 55 8 Out of 10 Cats Uncut 3.40 Close

SKY ATLANTIC SKY 108

6.00 Fish Town 9.00 The West Wing 2 00 Cold Case 4.00 House 6.00 FILM: The Fall (Deckas vs Subl (201 Documenta y explor ng Zola Budd and Mary Decker's race at the 1984 Olympics. 8.00 Blue Bloods 9.00 Game of Thrones 11.10 Last Week Tonight with John Oliver 12.40 Real T me with Bill Meher 12 50 FILM Everything is Copy (2015) 2.35 Banshee 3.40 Shtain Valley 4.10 Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets

W SKY: 109

8.10 Crisis 6.55 Rondl Rescue 7.20 The Bill 11.30 EastEndnrs 2 10 Mi Stink 3.30 Ill naoise Boy 4.00 FILM Spy Kids (2001) (U) 6.40 Outnumbe rd 8 00 John Bishop's In Conversation with Ken Loach 9.00 FILM Walk tha Line (2005) (12) Biopic of Johnny Cash starring Joaqu n Phoen x. 11.55 Grimm 12.55 Resurrection 2.30 Life Is Toff 2.35 Betty White s Off Thair Rockers 3.00 Home Shopping

GOLD SKY 128

7.40 The G een Green Grass 7.30 Ever Decreasing Circles 6.00 The Two Ronnies 8.35 Wallace & Gromit: Grand Day Out 10 05 Wallace & Gromit: The Wrong Trousers 10.40 Wallace & G mit: A Close Shave 11.2 Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death 12.00 Only Fools and Horses 9.00 FILM: Nearly Hds Cop II (1987) (15) Comedy thriller sequel starring Eddie Murphy. 11.00 Eddie Izzard: Force Majeure 12.20 Bill Hicks Live: Revelat ons 1.30 Stewart Lee's Comedy Vehicle 2.10 Steve Coogan: Live n Lewd 3.25 Nighty Night 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

8.00 Football League Gold 8.15 Premier League 100 Club 7 10 Game Changers 7 45 Ricky Burns : My Greatest Night 8.10 Premier League Preview 6.40 The Fantasy Football Club 9.40 Soccer AM 11.10 Live Premier League 12.30 Live Premier League 3.40 Gillette Soccer Saturday 5.10 La Liga Football 7 10 Spanish Football Gold 7.30 Football's Greatest Players 8.50 Nissan Game of the Day 10.30 Nissan Match Choice 11.30 Premier League Highlights

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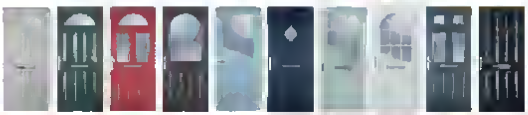

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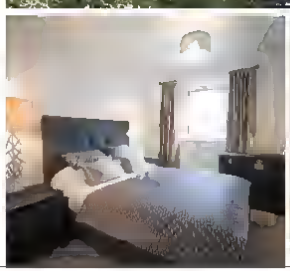

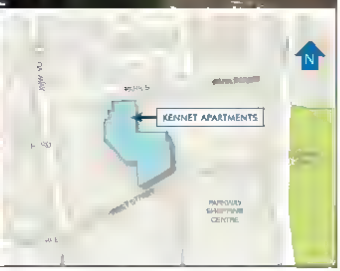

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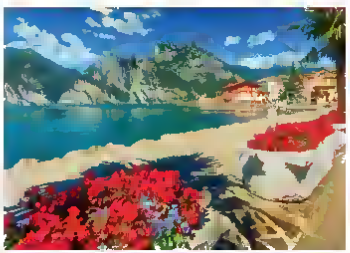

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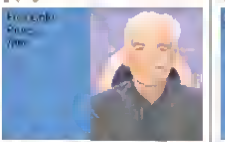

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Channel 5

DAYTIME

10.00 Easter Day Service – Live from Hereford Cathedral (S) **11.00** Universe Orbi (S) **11.25** Homes Under the Hammer (S)(R) **12.15** Bargain Hunt (S)(R) **1.15** BBC News (S) **1.30** Countryfile Spring Diaries (S)(R) **1.30** Granada/YTV The Super League Show (S) **2.15** FILM Cool Runnings (1993) (PG) (S) **3.50** Spring: Earth's Seasonal Secrets (S) **4.50** Lifeline (S) **5.00** Songs of Praise (S) **5.35** Gulpagoos (S)(R) **6.35** BBC News (S) **6.50** BBC Regional News (S)

6.30 The Beechgrove Garden (S) **7.00** Gardeners' World (S)(R) **8.00** Countryfile (S)(R) **9.00** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites (S) **10.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship (S) **12.15** MOTD2 Extra (S) **1.00** Track Cycling World Championships (S) **2.15** Live Snooker: The World Championship Coverage of the second session on the second day (S) **6.00** Inside the Factory: Shoes (S)(R)

9.05 Scribbledi Adventure Time (S)(R) **9.25** ITV News (S) **9.30** Weekend (S) **10.20** Judge Binder (S)(R) **11.25** Wild Australia with Ray Mears (S)(R) **11.50** ITV News, Weather (S) **12.00** FILM Thunderball (1965) (PG) (S) **2.35** Britain's Got Talent (S)(R) **4.00** Little Big Shots (S)(R) **5.00** ITV Regional News (S) **5.15** ITV News (S) **5.30** Harry Hill's Alien Fun Capsule (S)(R) **6.00** The Voice: The Winner's Story (S)

6.10 The King of Queens (S)(R) **7.25** Everybody Loves Raymond (S)(R) **8.30** Frasier (S)(R) **9.30** Sunday Brunch (S) **12.30** Ice Age: The Great Egg-Scapade (S)(R) **1.00** FILM Hop (2011) (U) (S) **2.50** Formula 1 Bahrain Grand Prix Live Build-Up (S) **3.50** Formula 1 Bahrain Grand Prix Live Reaction (S) **4.45** Channel 4 News (S)

6.00 Milkshake! **9.45** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (S)(R) **10.20** Funniest Falls, Falls & Flops (S)(R) **10.45** Grandma's Make You Laugh Out Loud (S)(R) **11.45** Playful Pups Make You Laugh Out Loud (S)(R) **12.45** FILM Watership Down (1978) (U) (S) **2.30** Greatest Animated Movies: A countdown of classic cartoon films. (S (R) **5.20** FILM Olivia (1968) (U) Musical starring Ron Moody. (S)

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7.00 Countryfile Matt Baker takes part in a pace egg rolling challenge in Lancashire. Inclining weather for the week ahead. (S)

7.00 Robot Wars Dara and Angela present the grand final between rehots Aftershock Eruption Invincible 3 Concussion Carbikle and an announced wild card (S)

7.00 Five Gold Rings Game show in which two sisters take on a married couple to answer visual questions by placing rings on an LED floor. Last in the series. (S)

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8.00 Antiques Roadshow Fiona Bruce presents a second episode from Pembroke Castle where items under inspection include a ring that changes colour. (S)

8.00 Top Gear Chris and Rory take a road trip across Cuba. Matt Test drives the Mercedes-AMG GT R and Ross Noble is this week's Star in a Reasonably Fast Car. (S)

8.00 Meigret's Night at the Crossroads The detective interrogates a mysterious Dane who has been caught with a dead body in his car in a rural town. (S)

8.00 Bones Snakes Secrets Documentary exploring the underwater ruins of an ancient Roman city located in the Bay of Naples. (S)

8.00 Naughty Cats Make Too Laugh Out Loud Internet videos featuring cats. (S)
8.55 5 News Weekend (S)

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9.00 Line of Duty The AC-12 investigation intensifies and new forensic anomalies lead to a major breakthrough. Meanwhile, Nick Huntley comes under scrutiny. (S)

9.00 Colombia with Simon Reeve The presenter explores the country as 50 years of civil war draws to a close. (S)

9.00 Homeland Dar scrambles to get his plan back on track and Saul and Keane deal with some fallout from her interview. Last in the series. (S)

9.00 The Prince Story: Icon, Genius, Slave Documentary exploring the singer's troubled private life and its influence on his recording output. (S)

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10.00 BBC News (S)
10.20 BBC Regional News; Weather (S)
10.30 Match of the Day 2 Highlights of the day's Premier League action. (S)

10.00 ITV News, Weather (S)
10.20 Lethal Weapon Riggs and Murtaugh examine the murder of one of LA's fashion experimers. (S)(R)

10.10 The Graham Norton Show: Comedy chat show with Graham Norton. (S)

10.00 Gogglebox The households' opinions on recent TV. (S)(R)

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11.30 I'm Different: Let Me Drive An autistic driver takes a pass plus course to ease his parents' fears. (S)

11.40 Snooker: The World Championship Highlights of the evening session at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield. (S)

11.10 The Nightly Show: Best Bits (S)
11.40 Premiership Rugby Union Action from the 20th round of fixtures

11.05 FILM East is East (1999) (15) Comedy drama, starring Om Puri and Jimi Mistry. (S)

11.05 FILM Purple Rain (1984) (15) Musical drama, with Prince and Apollonia Kotero. (S)

AFTER 12

12.00 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) **12.05** BBC News (S)

12.30 Snooker: World Championship Extra (S) **2.30** Sign Zone: Countryfile (S)(R) **3.25** Holby City (S)(R) **4.25** This Is BBC Two (S)

12.30 Jackpot247 **3.00** The Cube (S) (U) **3.45** ITV Nightscreen **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R)

1.00 FILM Kingpin (1996) (12) (S) **3.00** Gillette World Sport (S) **3.30** KOTV Boxing Weekly (S) **3.55** Kirstie's Fill Your House for Free (S)(R) **4.10** Four in a Bed (S)(R) **4.35** Four in a Bed (S)(R) **5.05** Phil Spencer: Secret Agent (S)(R)

1.10 SuperCasino **3.10** Body of Proof (S)(R) **4.00** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S)(R) **4.50** House Doctor (S) (R) **5.15** Wild In SOS (S)(R) **5.40** Angels of Jarm (S)(R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car (S)(R)

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ITV2 SKY 116 FV 6

8.00 Pimp'd: Funniest Animals **8.15** Emmerdale **9.00** Coronation Street **11.30** Britain's Got Talent **1.00** 2Awesome **1.05** 2Awesome: Guidance **1.35** 2Awesome: The Wheel **2.00** 2Awesome: LA Story **2.05** 2Awesome: Side Effects **2.35** You've Been Framed! Gold **3.00** FILM Hotel Transylvania (2012) (U) **4.20** FYI Daily **4.15** FILM Hotel Transylvania (2012) (U) **4.50** FILM Deep cable Me 2 (2013) (U) **5.30** FYI Daily **5.55** FILM Despicable Me 2 (2013) (U) **6.50** FILM The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug (2013) (12) **7.50** FYI Daily **8.00** FILM The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug (2013) (12) Fantasy adventure sequel starring Martin Freeman. **10.00** Family Guy **11.30** American Dad **12.25** The Cleveland Show **12.00** Dads **1.20** The Vampire Diaries **2.10** Teleshopping **5.45** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY 119 FV 10

6.00 You're Only Young Twice **6.50** On the Buses **7.00** FILM Carry On Doctor (1967) (PG) **8.50** FYI Daily **8.55** FILM Carry On Doctor (1967) (PG) **9.50** FILM Carry On Behind (1975) (PG) **11.40** FILM Mutiny on the Buses (1972) (PG) **12.40** FYI Daily **12.45** FILM Mutiny on the Buses (1972) (PG) **1.25** FILM Carry On Dick (1974) (PG) **2.25** FYI Daily **2.30** FILM Carry On Dick (1974) (PG) **3.20** FILM Carry On Again Doctor (1969) (PG) **4.15** FYI Daily **4.20** FILM Carry On Again Doctor (1969) (PG) **5.00** FILM Carry On Up the Khyber (1968) (PG) **6.05** FYI On Daily **6.10** FILM Carry On Up the Khyber (1968) (PG) **8.25** FILM That Riviera Touch (1966) (PG) **7.05** FYI Daily **8.00** FILM That Riviera Touch (1966) (PG) Concluded. **8.00** Minecraft and Wise Forever **10.00** It'll Be Alright on the Night **11.00** Lewis **1.05** Agatha Christie's Marple **3.00** May the Best House Win **4.00** On the Buses **5.00** You're Only Young Twice

BBC4 SKY 116 FV 9

7.00 Messiah at the Foundling Hospital **8.00** Darcey Bussell: Looking for Audrey **9.00** Shakespeare's Mother: The Secret Life of a Tudor Woman **10.00** The Killer Wave of 1607 **10.50** The Mystery of Rome's X Tomb **11.50** The Story of Maths **12.50** Cleopatra: A Timewitch Guide **1.50** Pugin: God's Own Architect **2.50** Timeshift: Blazers and Brylcreem: The Story of the Fire Service **3.50** Close

E4 SKY 136 FV 28

6.00 Couples Come Dine with Me **7.55** Hollyoaks **10.20** Made in Chelsea **11.20** The Big Bang Theory **12.20** The Gaffabegs **2.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **3.00** FILM We Bought a Zoo (2011) (PG) Fact-based comedy drama starring Matt Damon. **5.30** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **10.00** Tattoo Fixers **11.00** E4's Tattoo Artist of the Year **12.05** Naked Attraction **1.00** Paramedics ER **2.05** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **2.50** Black-ish **3.10** Baby Daddy **3.35** Hollyoaks

MORE4 SKY 138 FV 14

6.50 Vet on the Hill **9.55** Walking with My Dog **11.00** Homes by the Mod **12.00** Come Dine with Me **2.40** Four in a Bed **3.15** Come Dine with Me **8.00** How to Lose Weight Well **5.00** Glad to be Back from the Dead **10.05** Father Ted **12.10** Man Down **12.10** Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown **1.15** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **3.15** Out of 10 Cats **3.55** Close

FILM4 SKY 315 FV 15

11.00 Marmaduke (2010) (U) **1.00** Young Sherlock Holmes (1985) (PG) **3.15** Stuart Little 2 (2002) (U) **4.40** Indian Ade: Continental Drift (2012) (U) **6.30** Mission: Impossible 2 (2000) (15) Action thriller sequel starring Tom Cruise. **9.00** Bridesmaids (2011) (15) Comedy starring Kristen Wiig. **11.25** Sin City: A Dame to Kill For (2014) (18) Crime thriller sequel starring Eva Green. **1.30** Brother (2000) (18) **3.00** Close

OAVE SKY 111 FV 12

7.10 Storage Hunters **8.00** Top Gear: Indian Special **10.00** Steve Austin's Broken Skull Challenge **11.00** Dara O Briain's Go 8 Bit **12.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad **1.00** Ronnie's Redneck Road Trip **2.00** Top Gear **3.00** Storage Hunters UK **5.30** Top Gear **7.00** Traffic Cops **8.00** Cops UK: Bodycams Squad **9.00** Live at the Apollo **10.00** Taskmaster **11.00** Dave Gorman: Modern Life is Good **12.00** Room 101 **1.20** Taskmaster **2.20** Mock the Week **2.50** Suits **4.00** Close

ORAMA SKY 158 FV 20

7.10 The Agatha Christie Hour **8.00** Call the Midwife **8.00** Mapp and Lucia **9.20** Jonathan Creek **1.25** Mapp and Lucia **2.40** The Agatha Christie Hour **3.30** Garden Rhapsody **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY 106

6.00 How to Power **7.00** Big Cats: An Amazing Animal Family **8.00** FILM Stargate: Continuum (2008) (PG) **11.00** Frothnill's Funniest Moments **11.30** WWE Raw Hits **12.00** Live Nissan Super Sunday **1.30** Modern Family **2.30** Fiona's Greatest Moments **4.00** FILM Jumanji (1995) (PG) Fantasy adventure starring Robin Williams **8.00** The Simpsons **8.00** Wild Things **5.00** Hawaii Five-0 **10.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **11.00** MacGyver **12.00** The Blacklist: Redemption **1.00** Hawaii Five-0 **2.00** Revolution **3.00** Arrow **4.00** Monkey Life

SKY ATLANTIC SKY 108

6.00 Fish Town **8.00** The British **9.00** The West Wing **2.00** House **4.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** Big Little Lies **10.00** Guerrilla **12.00** The Top to Spin **11.40** The Circus: Inside the Biggest Show On Earth **12.15** Friends **1.25** Westworld **2.30** Silicon Valley **3.00** Girls **3.35** Silicon Valley **4.10** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets

W SKY 109

6.10 Cribs **7.00** Motorway Cops **6.00** Bondi Rescue **8.35** Extreme Makeover: Home Edition **11.30** Billionaire Boy **12.45** Doctor Who **4.30** FILM March of the Penguins (2005) **10.00** FILM Spy Kids 2: Island of Lost Dreams (2002) (U) Family adventure sequel starring Antonio Banderas. **8.00** Dr Christen Will See You Now **5.00** John Bishop: In Conversation with Ken Loach **10.00** Doctor Foster **11.20** Lonely Therapists: Life Stories **12.40** Resurrection **2.25** Life is Toff **3.00** Home Shopping

GOLD SKY 110

7.00 Ever Decreasing Circles **7.30** The Vicar of Dibley **8.00** FILM Beverly Hills Cop III (1994) (15) Comedy adventure sequel, starring Eddie Murphy. **11.00** Ian Alan Partridge **12.20** Steve Coogan as Alan Partridge and Other Less Successful Characters **2.20** Human Remains **2.55** Nighty Night **3.00** Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY 401

8.00 Premier League Highlights **5.00** The Sunday Supplement **10.30** Goals on Sunday **12.30** Live Nissan Super Sunday **1.30** Live Nissan Super Sunday **3.30** Live Nissan Super Sunday: Manchester United v Chelsea (kick-off 4.00pm) **7.00** Joshua v Klitschko: The Gloves Are Off **7.30** Football Gold **7.40** Live La Liga Football: Granada v Celta Vigo (kick-off 7.45pm). **8.00** Spanish Football Gold **10.00** Premier League Highlights **11.00** Goals on Sunday **12.00** Premier League Highlights **1.00** Premier League 100 Club **2.00** Premier League Years **4.00** Premier League Highlights **5.00** Goals on Sunday

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Feathering your empty nest

By Josh Cox

YOU might often have wanted your teenage children to leave home but how does it feel when it actually happens?

Modern comedy The Empty Nesters Club offers a humorous yet poignant look at what befalls parents after their children have outgrown the family home, and the onset of so called 'empty nest syndrome'.

Presented by The John Godber Company and Theatre Royal Wakefield this new play by the BAFTA Award-winning playwright John Godber will strike a chord with any parents whose children have flown the nest, and indeed with the kids who flew.

Newly bereft mum Vicky Barret, whose daughter has recently left for university in London, prepares for the inaugural meeting of her new support group – the titular Empty Nesters Club – by reflecting on the upheaval of letting go of her not so-little girl.

Together with her husband Phil, Vicky shares the familiar story of empty bedrooms, fresher's flu, boyfriends, long goodbyes, motorway service stations and trips to Ikea, and how she fought her way back to being the woman she is today – exhausted!

Godber is one of the UK's most famous playwrights having penned international hits such as Bouncers, Teechers and Shafted!

Well known for his observational comedy dramas often based on real life situations, Godber admits to using his and his wife's own experiences as their two daughters left home as inspiration for The Empty Nesters Club!

One of the most performed playwrights in the English language, Godber's plays are as popular in the drama class as they are on stage, presenting students with the opportunity to take on relatable characters in a fun, stylised fashion.

Humorous, touching and completely relatable, The Empty Nesters' Club! comes to the Corn Exchange, Newbury on Thursday April 27 and Friday, April 28 at 7.45pm.

Tickets cost £16 concessions £14. To book, either visit the Corn Exchange website cornexchangenew.com, or call 0845 5218 218.

'Til you go pop

SHOW Head down to the Corn Exchange on Tuesday April 18 to watch Amazing Bubble Man.

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The three piece cover a whole host of popular songs from the 50s to modern day. Continnnm Covers Band have a wealth of experience gathered over the last eight years and the evening is set to be a fantastic night of fun.

The free gig kicks off at 8.30pm.

Someone like you

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Slithering onto centre stage

By Josh Cox

Paul Lamb and the King Snakes

STAKING their claim to being one of the best British blues bands Paul Lamb and the King Snakes will perform at Arlington Arts Centre later this month.

Over a three-decade career and 16 studio albums, Paul and his band continue to entertain an ever growing fanbase. An inductee in to the British Blues Award s Hall of Fame in company with the likes of Peter Green, Alexis Korner and John Mayall Lamb is one of the world s most prolific exponents of blues harmonica.

His band the King Snakes play a traditional style of electric blues, taking the audience from the Mississippi Delta to Chicago. Led by Paul on harmonica and backed by a line-up of top quality musicians with Ryan Lamb on guitar Dino Cecchi on drums Chad Strentz on vocals and Rod Demick on bass.

Their 2014 album 'Hole in the Wall' won Best British Album from Blues Matters Magazine along with the band winning Best British Blues Band and Paul winning Best UK Harmonica Player. Critically acclaimed, and for good reason, Paul and the King Snakes continue to be at the top of their game.

Mark Knopfler has described Paul's playing as "blues harp as good as it gets" Knopfler is just one of the music icons that Lamb has lent his harmonica prowess to, others include The Who Rod Stewart and Jimmy Nail.

Join Paul and his band for a night of Great British Blues starting at 8pm. The gig is set to be memorable and they always put on a stella performance. This truly is one not to be missed

Tickets are just £14. They can be bought online at arlingtonarts co uk, or by calling the box office on 01635 244246

All profits from Arlington Arts go directly to Mary Hare a school and national charity supporting deaf children.

Rocking all over

MUSIC. Hog Wild, a four piece band, are set to bring their 50s rock n roll 60s pop R&B and a little country to Yattendon & Frilsham Social Club In Yattendon this Saturday April 15.

If you're a fan of Chuck Berry, Elvis Presley or Johnny Cash then you'll definitely love their performance

This free gig starts at 8.30pm

One for the family

THEATRE. Topsy Turvy Theatre will be presenting the charming Christopher Nibble In a tale of dandelion daring do!

Christopher Nibble is an uplifting story of one guinea pig's selfless undertaking to help halt the disappearance of the dandelion forever

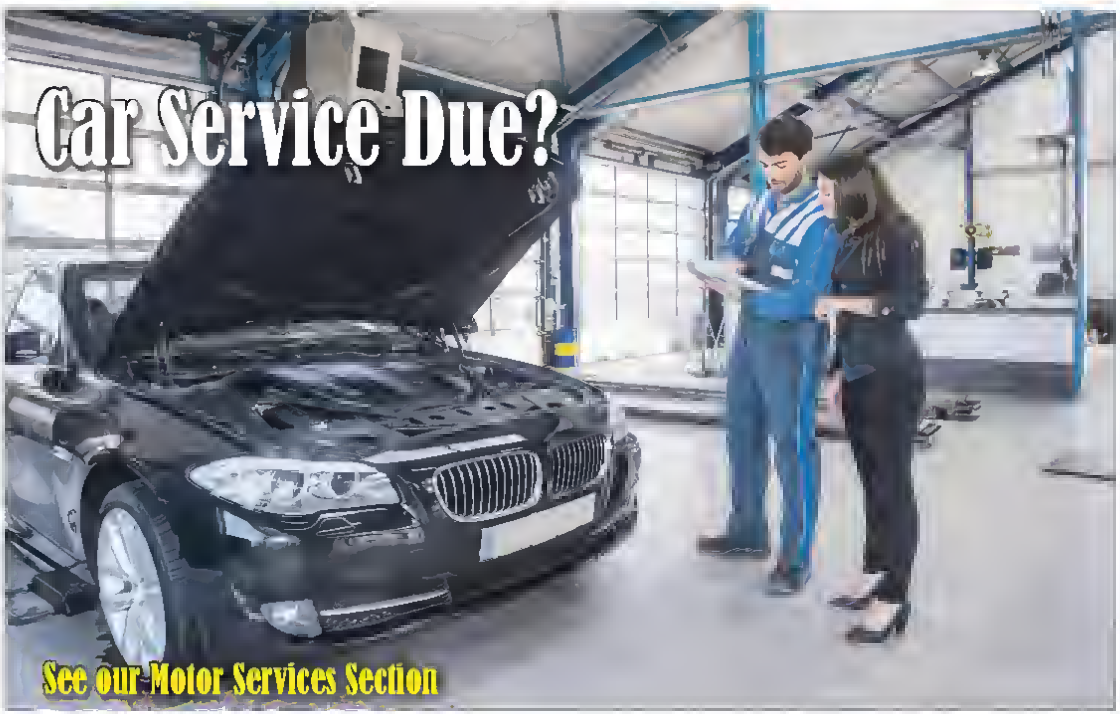
It begins at 2pm on April 20 at Arlington Arts Centre. Tickets £8

Dynamic duo

MUSIC. Folk duo Sam Kelly and Jamie Francis will be playing live at Greenham Arts on April 20.

After the release of his debut solo album The Lost Boys Sam was awarded the Horizon Award for emerging artists at the 2016 BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards

Tickets £13, £10.50 concessions. The gig begins at 8pm.



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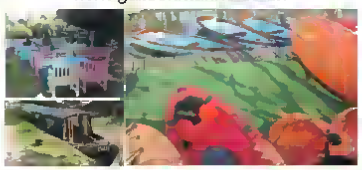

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By Tony Yates

I have spoken many times about how I am still not convinced that we need low power Eco cars with less horsepower than a blender. So as you can imagine, when I was given the 2008 PureTech to test recently, I suddenly developed a longing for walking instead.

It's a shame really – because a lot of Eco friendly cars are actually quite good. Plus it has a maximum power output of about ZERO and it will pretty much destroy your social life in an instant if you decide to drive it anywhere further than the end of your driveway. As for the 2008, let's see if Peugeot have managed to make something a little bit better.

Power and efficiency:

My test car was fitted with a 1.2 PureTech petrol engine that produces 130hp. The unit is smooth and very responsive on the road, with plenty of power considering it's just a small engine. Top speed comes in around 124mph and you can expect a 0-62 time of 9.3sec. Fuel consumption is also decent and I managed with very little effort – 50mpg on the combined cycle.

On the road:

The 2008 is a very playful little crossover and although it's not one of the best I have driven recently – it's not the worst either. Into the corners – it does feel a little bit too soft but that's not always a bad thing – because there is nothing worse than owning a crossover with suspension so hard even the smoothest of roads feels like a rally stage.

Design and interior:

The 2008 has a decent interior with clear and presentable cockpit which is laid out nice – although I am not sure why they decided to fit the instrument panel so high on the dashboard. The use of upmarket materials around the cockpit also gives the 2008 a classy feel thanks to Peugeot using quality materials instead of the cheap plastic alternative.

Technology:

We come to expect a lot nowadays from car manufacturers, and the 2008 comes with an array of kit such as; 17" Eridan Black alloy wheels, Cielo panoramic glass roof, aluminium door sills & pedals, GT line carpet mats & trim, Satellite Navigation with European mapping, reversing camera, 7" multi-function colour touch screen, Mirror Screen, based on MirrorLink™ and Apple Carplay®, along with Active City Brake and Park Assist. The 2008 is also equipped with Grip Control – an adapted traction system – giving the 2008 good versatility on all types of terrain – and All-Season tyres as standard.

To sum up:

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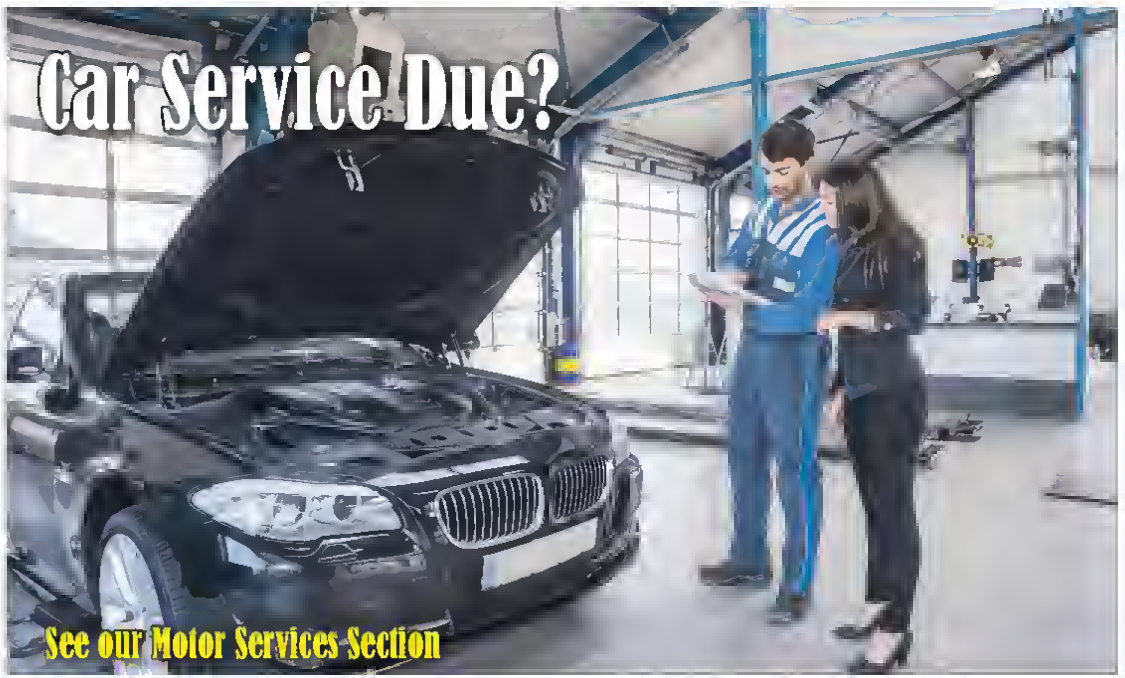

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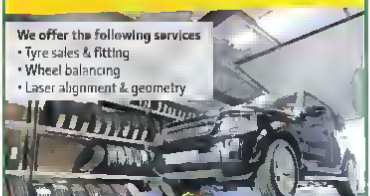

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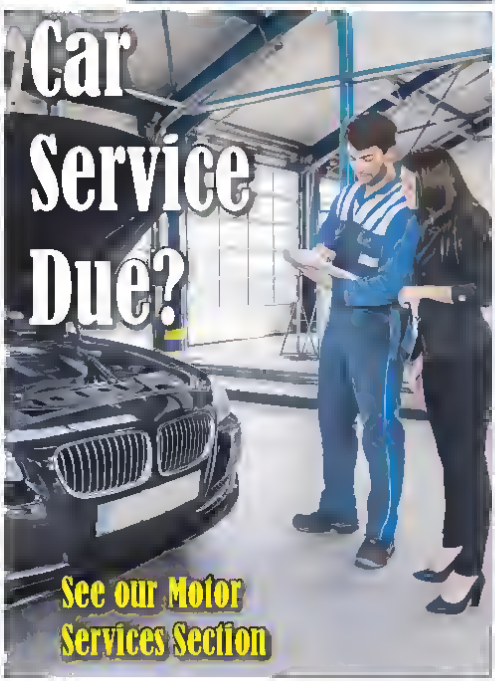

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Job Description and Person Specification

POSITION.	SUPPORT WORKER
RESPONSIBLE TO:	REGISTERED MANAGER
HOURS OF WORK:	40 HOURS PER WEEK ON A SHIFT ROTA BASIS
ANNUAL LEAVE.	28 DAYS PER YEAR
BENEFITS.	COMPETITIVE SALARY

Job Description
St. Luke's Trust offers a safe, stimulating and supportive living home for people who have mild to severe learning disabilities and mental ill health issues.
The role of the support workers is to be on hand to provide person centred support and care in our residents in and home throughout the day and night wishes they require it, and always in a way that respects their dignity and independence. This is a sleep-in position with full duties including (but are not limited to):

- Personal care- including PEG care and incontinence issues (regular training required)
- Domestic duties to maintain high standard of cleanliness in a way which also supports the independence of all residents cares
- Emotional support and reassurance including managing challenging behaviours
- Promoting the fundamental values of St Luke's Trust in the and statement of purpose
- On-going contact and relatives, professionals and visitors to the home in a confident and professionary manner at all times
- Competence and all policies and procedures on-site as and as national regulations
- Competence and all written procedures including health and safety fire safety medicine control, data protection and person centred care
- Working fully complete additional care and review systems and full awareness of principles of the protection of vulnerable adults
- Maintaining of all necessary documentation on-site (including daily daily reading
- Attendance for all mandatory and specialist policies and procedures safety shift meetings, as and as regular individual supervisions and appraisals

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- Comprehensive salary
- 28 days holiday entitlement per year (starting from April 01 March)
- Funded or part funded additional professional opportunities (i.e. diplomas in HSC)
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Person Specification
Most importantly must, above all, possess working and integrity and promote St. Luke's Trusts core values of empowerment, respect, dignity and independence. A successful candidate outline be numerate and methodical whilst working under pressure, both as part of the general team as well as when working alone. They should always be positive to ensure high standards and excellence in their work and should always maintain a confident, professional approach towards their assistant colleagues/guardians, external professionals and colleagues. Candidates should be keen to further develop behaviours listed in their career and on a personal level as a benefits of the Trust, and the is actively encouraged and supported. It is assumed that candidates have a good level of written and spoken English as well as good numeracy skills.

Level 2 or 3 Diploma	Essential but not essential as the successful candidate will be provided with full job-specific training
Previous Experience in working within: Health and Social Care Sector	Essential preferably working and relating with Learning Disabilities and associated challenging behaviours
Written and Verbal skills A good level of written and spoken knowledge of English, and good numeracy skills.	Essential
Professional standards. Maintaining awareness of the protection of vulnerable adults, equal opportunities and diversity awareness. Confidentiality in relation for this role.	Essential

Please note that all personal employees will undergo a full enhanced DBS check prior to the commencement of their position. All new employees will complete this protection re-issue submitted and will undergo shadowing Care Certificate policies modules supported by West Berkshire Council training department. All working employees will be required to complete a 6-month probationary period unless may be extended if necessary

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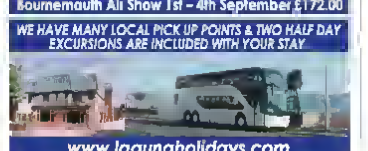

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Kings pay penalty after early setback

A DISAPPOINTING first quarter left Thames Valley Kings with too much to do in their match against Plymouth Storm on Saturday

They were beaten 60-37, although after being 20 points behind at the end of the opening session were evenly matched for the remainder of the game.

Plymouth were too much for the Kings at the start and didn t miss at all in the first quarter as they raced into a 22 2 lead, with Peter Rapley getting the visitors sole effort.

However they fought back to draw the second quarter, with both sides scoring 12 points as Reece Barker impressed for the Kings

A further 11 points followed in the third quarter as Joe Humphreys, Rapley and Vickie Simmonds added to the scoring, while 12 more came from Humphreys and Barker in the final period.

Ignoring the first quarter the Kings would have been narrowly beaten 36 35 but as it was they ended up losing 60-37

Captain Wayne Burtoo said: "Well done to the guys for working as hard as they could against a very strong opposition, making it doubly hard for us to get anywhere near their basket."

The Kings have just one match remaining this season, at home to the so far unbeaten Warwickshire Bears on May 7 at the Kennet Leisure Centre in Thatcham.

Right, Thames Valley Kings basketball team in action against Plymouth Storm on Saturday They lost 60-37

Sport Bites

Golfers bow out

GOLF The seniors team at West Berks Golf Club have played in the final of the M4 Seniors Winter League

They were in action against West Middlesex at Richings Park in Slough yesterday having beaten Weybrook Park 3-1 in the semi-finals

Elsewhere, Joe Simspon won the April medal to qualify for the regional round of the national Bridgestone Chase Your Dream Trophy at Sonning on June 18

Graham Coe and Sandy Miller won the midweek stableford competitions and Deb Weddell the lady s medal

In the team events the men beat Studley Wood 4-2, the seniors beat Donnington Grove 4-2, the mixed team beat Newbury and Crookham 7-1 but the scratch team lost 5 2 to East Berks.

Back to winning

FOOTBALL. After three successive draws Hungerford Town returned to winning ways with a 2-1 victory at Whitehawk on Saturday

Luke Williams scored in injury time to secure the three points after Warren Bentley had equalised for the visitors on 74 minutes.

Poole Town's defeat against Chelmsford means Hungerford have closed the gap to the play offs to just four points

Their next game is at home to Dartford tomorrow

Up to third

FOOTBALL Newbury FC have gone third in the Thames Valley Premier Division after a 4 1 win at home to Rotherfield United Daniel Langford, Gary Dredge and Alex N mmo scored before half time and Carl Jenner added a fourth.

Season finale

HOCKEY Newbury and Thatcham Hockey Club s ladies 1sts sealed third in the Trysports Three Counties League after winning on Saturday

They beat Phoenix and Ranelagh Ladies 2-0

Thatcham face Saints in last game of season

THATCHAM Town complete their Hellenic Premier season away to Brackley Town Saints on Saturday having already secured fourth place in the standings

Thame United were crowned champions this weekend after thrashing bottom side Henley Town 9-0, while rivals Bracknell Town slipped up against Highworth.

It has been a close contest between the two sides in the second half of the season, after Thatcham fell away despite having topped the table in the early stages

They are sat on 67 points six behind Flackwell Heath and three ahead of Ardley United who have both played all of their games

It means it will be another year in the Hellenic for the Kingfishers, following an from ending runners-up to Kidlington in 2015/16

Saturday's match starts at 3pm.

Strong start by young athletes

By Adam Flinn

JUNIOR members of Team Kennet Athletics Club made a strong start to the Oxford Athletics League after finishing second overall in the eight club match

Only host club Oxford City beat them at Horspath at the weekend with some impressive results across the board in the different age groups and disciplines

Both the under 15 and under 17 boys won their age groups

In the under 17s, Stuart Eladon starred as he picked up wins in the high jump and the shot, before narrowly missing out in the 400m and having to settle for second.

Ryan Cannons had a good day after winning the 800m and ending runner up in the long jump while there were also victories for Josh Livingstone, Daniel Hockaday and Tait Weekes

The under 15s took full control in the throws with Harry Booker and Oliver Gregory both winning in the shot and discus, while Oliver Bazin recorded two good second places in the 300m and 800m.

Things were a bit tougher for the under 13s but there were still some good showings with Gabriele Warley and Matthew Jones getting a double win in the high jump and Colin Sinclair in the javelin

There were also second places from Euan Every and Oliver Humphrey in the discus Kian Hockaday in the javelin, and Humphrey again in the 100m.

The under 15 girls came closest to winning their group, helped by some solid performances from some of their more experienced talents.

Anna Pettit cruised to wins in the 300m and 800m while Anna Montagne took victory in the 200m

More success came in the throwing events from Phoebe Hoare and Sophie Wheadon in the javelin, the same duo in the discus and Chloe Collins in the shot

There were no wins in the under 13s group, but Anneise Gale shone as she came second in the 800m, while Beth King matched that result in the 1,500m.

A few more podiums came out of the under 17s group, with Kira Angeli winning the javelin and getting second in the sprint hurdles and the high jump

Charlotte Booker had a win in the discus and a second place in the javelin while Rosa Lawrence won the 1,500m and took silver in the shot

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Inside: Second place for Team Kennet at league opener | Thames Valley Kings beaten by Plymouth | Season finale for Thatcham Town

Promotion battle goes right down to the wire

By Adam Flinn

JUST one game now stands between Newbury Blues and the chance for promotion after they thrashed bottom side Reading 78-5 on Saturday

Twelve tries helped the Blues demolish their already relegated Berkshire rivals to remain four points clear of Old Patesians with just one league game left this season.

This was Newbury's fifth win in a row and their 13th in their last 14 matches. Now just Reading Abbey stand in their way of a play-off place when they face each other on April 22.

The Blues were unchallenged by Reading in Saturday's game and had scored five converted tries in the opening half an hour.

Two each from Rory Jones and Cameron Golby Barr and another from Toby Thorne saw Newbury race away with Dan Thorne kicking the extras on each occasion.

Golby Barr completed his hat trick on 36 minutes and Toby Pearce added another on the stroke of half time, and although neither were converted it gave the Blues a massive 45 point lead at the break.

It didn't take long for the Blues to pick up where they left off after the restart, and it was Pearce who scored, with Dan Thorne getting the extras.

The tries kept on coming thick and fast and Joe Pigott and Dan Thorne were the next two to add their names to the ever-growing list as they went over within three minutes of each other.

The advantage reached an incredible 71 points just past the hour mark as Alex Millar crashed over the line to score and another successful conversion was added.

A quieter period followed, culminating in Reading finally being able to get something on the board as they got a try with four minutes to go although the conversion attempt went wide.

But there was still time for Newbury to get one more, with Dylan Stewart diving under the posts for try number 12 and a 78-5 victory.

Maidenhead's win over Reading Abbey on Saturday means they were officially crowned as the South West 1 East champions, while Abbey were relegated in the process.

Old Patesians recorded a 60-10 win over Witney to ensure the fight for the last top-two spot goes down to the final weekend.

Newbury Blues were in dominant form against bottom side Reading on Saturday

Stewart helps Thatcham end home season with victory

A SATISFYING victory over third-placed Aylesbury was the result of Thatcham RFC's final home game of the season on Saturday.

They won 31-25 to cap a successful season at Henwick Lane, with just a trip to Beaconsfield left in their Southern Counties North schedule on April 22.

Conditions were ideal and Thatcham took advantage to get the first points on the board through John Riley, with Joe Leadley converting.

Two Aylesbury penalties reduced the deficit but Leadley was able to touch down moments before half time to give Thatcham a 12-6 lead at the break.

Aylesbury took the lead five minutes into the second half with a converted try but Thatcham responded quickly and birthday boy James Thorogood got a touchdown to put the hosts back ahead.

Aylesbury took the lead once more with another try but again the lead switched as despite squandering two drop goal chances Riley was able to get his second try.

Callum Stewart added another towards the end to seemingly secure the win and while Aylesbury put in some late pressure and pulled one try back, it was Thatcham who triumphed.

Thatcham are seventh in the standings on 62 points, but could move into fourth if they win their final game and other results go their way.

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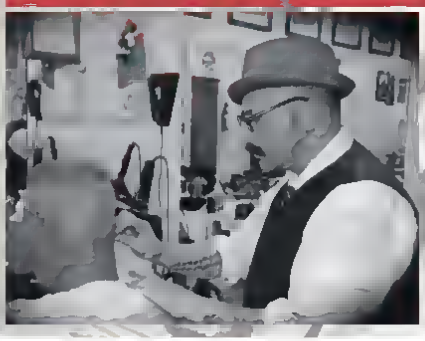

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A playful little crossover Eco car

By **Tony Yates**

I have spoken many times about how I am still not convinced that we need low power Eco cars with less horsepower than a blender. So as you can imagine, when I was given the 2008 PureTech to test recently, I suddenly developed a longing for walking instead.

It's a shame really – because a lot of Eco friendly cars are actually quite good. Plus it has a maximum power output of about ZERO and it will pretty much destroy your social life in an instant if you decide to drive it anywhere further than the end of your driveway. As for the 2008, let's see if Peugeot have managed to make something a little bit better.

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On the road:

The 2008 is a very playful little crossover and although it's not one of the best I have driven recently – it's not the worst either. Into the corners – it does feel a little bit too soft but that's not always a bad thing – because there is nothing worse than owning a crossover with suspension so hard even the smoothest of roads feels like a rally stage.

Design and interior:

The 2008 has a decent interior with clear and presentable cockpit which is laid out nice – although I am not sure why they decided to fit the instrument panel so high on the dashboard. The use of upmarket materials around the cockpit also gives the 2008 a classy feel thanks to Peugeot using quality materials instead of the cheap plastic alternative.

Technology:

We come to expect a lot nowadays from car manufacturers, and the 2008 comes with an array of kit such as; 17" Erdan Black alloy wheels, Cielo panoramic glass roof, aluminium door sills & pedals, GT line carpet mats & trim, Satellite Navigation with European mapping, reversing camera, 7" multi-function colour touch screen, Mirror Screen, based on MirrorLink™ and Apple Carplay®, along with Active City Brake and Park Assist. The 2008 is also equipped with Grip Control – an adapted traction system – giving the 2008 good versatility on all types of terrain and All-Season tyres as standard.

To sum up:

The 2008 is a decent crossover, but the market is flooded right now with cars all offering the same. I am not sure if Peugeot has done enough to make the 2008 stand out from the crowd.

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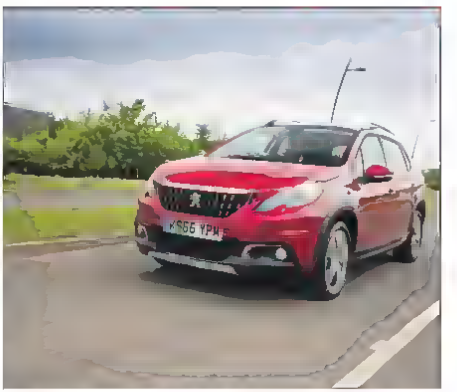

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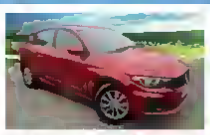

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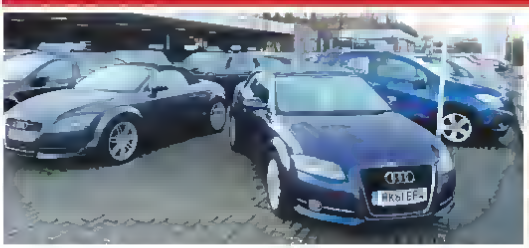

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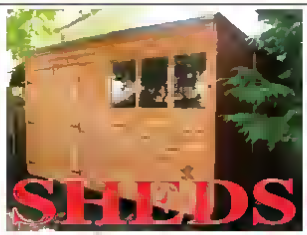

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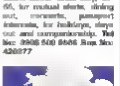

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Nico Hulkenberg. Picture: Renault Sport Formula One Team

Potential but no points for Renault pair

F1

RENAULT showed good potential but it didn t translate into any points for the Enstone team in the Chinese Grand Prix on Sunday

Nico Hulkenberg had qualified seventh and made up ground on the first lap before taking the bold decision to put for slick tyres on the drying track.

The gamble didn t pay off and he fell out of the points With two time penalties he was never able to get back into the top 10 after that

His team mate Jolyon Palmer tried a similar tactic after pitting at the end of the formation lap, but two safety car periods in the opening laps undid the benefit that stopping early might have had.

Renault managing director Cyril Abiteboul said "We showed strong potential but the race did not deliver the results we wanted.

"The early virtual safety car meant we were immediately on the back foot as we d already pitted Nico to cover the threat from those behind "

Festival huge success again

Hockey

THE Rover Oxford Hockey Festival celebrated its 25th anniversary in glorious sunshine at the weekend.

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Under-10s were played as two leagues with Cheltenham winning league A and Wallingford picking up gold in league B

Concluding the Saturday action were the under 12 boys, with the Oxford Hawks losing their final against Wycombe

On Sunday Oxford Hawks under 12s girls triumphed in a closely fought final against Cirencester who received their medals from GB Hockey star Erica Sanders

The tournament ended with the under 14s boys and girls taking centre stage.

Cirencester were victorious over local rivals Cheltenham 2–1 while in a very strong boys competition, Banbridge Academy beat Cheltenham 2 0 to take gold

Kevin Magnussen scored four points in China. Picture: Haas F1

Magnificent Magnussen

F1

By Adam Flinn

KEVIN Magnussen got Haas F1's first points on the board for 2017 in an otherwise gloomy day at the Chinese Grand Prix on Sunday

He finished eighth to get the Banbury-based team s first four points of the season, while Romain Grosjean just missed out in 11th after a frustrating weekend.

The track was greasy for the start of the race and the majority of the grid started on the intermediate tyres before a couple of safety car periods early on saw everyone swap on to slicks

This helped Magnussen get into the points and he was running in ninth for a long stint before getting past Sergio Perez towards the end to move up another place

"It was a good race, I had fun out there," said Magnussen.

"I was able to look after the front tyres, which I think was key, along with working with the team to get the car in the right window

"It s so much more fun when you're fighting in the points I'm happy for the team and we're looking forward to the coming races "

Grosjean had a trickier weekend, starting in qualifying when Antonio Giovinazzi s crash meant he wasn't able to set a competitive time. He lined up on the back row of the grid.

An early stop for slicks in the race didn t allow him to make as much ground up as he would have liked and he got held up behind Jolyon Palmer's Renault.

After getting past on lap 27 he was able to make up some ground and a late overtake on Felipe Massa's Williams got him up to 11th just shy of the points-paying positions

Haas team principal Guenther Steiner said, "For Kevin to score points on his second race is fantastic, but I think Romain had a challenging weekend.

"We showed what we can do and that we are where we think we are We just have to do it consistently

"I think we did more overtaking between the Haas team than the rest of the teams, so I'm very proud of that. Both drivers drove a fantastic race "

The four points put Haas up to seventh in the constructors' champion ship standings

The next race is the Bahrain Grand Prix this weekend.

Lack of grip ruins Massa's race

F1

IT was a miserable afternoon for Williams as Sunday s Chinese Grand Prix failed to yield any points for the Grove-based squad.

Felipe Massa suffered from a lack of grip due to cold tyres while Lance Stroll s day was over on the first lap after he was hit from behind by Sergio Perez and pitched into the gravel.

Massa started sixth but couldn't keep the heat in his tyres during the early safety car periods. He went backwards from then on before ending up 14th.

He said: "I'm really disappointed as everything went wrong for us

"I wasn't able to drive in the proper way because it felt like I was driving on ice– that was the worst part we lost so much time and so many positions

"We need to carry on trying to do what we did in the first race in Australia and qualifying here so now we will look forward and concentrate on Bahrain."

For Stroll, it was the second race in succession he had failed to finish, although he did manage to qualify inside the top 10 for the first time

He said: "I got hit and then the car was broken, most likely with a puncture and damaged suspension.

"While the race was difficult we have some positives to take out of this weekend, as the qualifying was good even if the race was not."

Historic day for KTM as pair clinch first points

Bradley Smith (behind) and Pol Espargaro made history. Picture: Gold & Goose

MotoGP

IN only their second competitive race KTM s Oxford based rider Bradley Smith and partner Pol Espargaro finished just inside the scoring positions at the Argentina GP on Sunday

Espargaro crossed the line in 14th and Smith came in next to get KTM off and running for the season with three points

The new MotoGP outfit could take a number of positives away from the weekend in Argentina with the pair of riders improving their positions from 18th and 19th on the grid. They both completed the 25-lap race safely unlike seven other riders

After picking up his first point of the season, Smith said "Today was a great day for us as a team because we scored our first points with both riders

"We made a good step forward from Qatar because there we weren t able to fight with the group ahead of us

"Here we could both stay with [other riders] for most of the race, so we improved by another 3-4 seconds

"I was really pleased with my race Of course we need to continue to improve but right now we have to be happy with what we are doing race-by-race."

Team manager Mike Leitner added. "Everybody should take all these positive things from what has happened here and I think the company especially should be motivated because we clearly see that there is a future.

"If we do the correct things we will have more interesting races where we can fight with the other manufacturers and riders

"This is what was super positive about today "

Boss Jones: Blame me

Oxford City

By George Welch

CARETAKER boss Mark Jones has taken responsibility and apologised to fans following Oxford City's 5-0 thrashing at home to Hampton & Richmond Borough on Saturday

The City manager – who is still in temporary charge of the Hoops – made five changes to his starting XI as he offered opportunities to those who had impressed the gaffer in training

The Hoops had all but assured their National League South survival with a win at Bishop's Stortford the previous week, but things went wrong very early on for Oxford's second biggest football club.

Inspired by hat trick hero Brendan Kiernan the Beavers commanded a 3-0 lead against their hosts by the half hour mark and this was stretched to 4-0 by half time.

Duncan Culley scored a brace (8, 27) and Kiernan netted his first two (14, 45) of the afternoon in the first half at a sun-beaten Court Place Farm.

Going into half time, Jones young and experimental side was not only trailing by a huge margin but had also failed to register a single shot on target.

With the points secured, Kiernan completed his treble just after the hour with a deflected effort leaving City with a record of five defeats in seven league games and an apologetic manager

Jones said "I'd like to apologise to the supporters who came to watch us today

"I tried to change the side around and give players an opportunity who I felt had been training well and showing some promise and that obviously

Sadiqu Jefferson Louis, 17, was the oldest in a youthful City line-up. Picture: Michael Allen

didn't work.

"We got off to a terrible start and it was always going to be difficult to come back with the conditions and a team of young players

"I have to take responsibility I always ask the players for honesty so I've got to give the same and hold my hands up and say that I got it wrong today

"We had a great win last week at Bishop's Stortford, which practically saw us safe, so I felt it was a chance today to try some new things and give some players an opportunity who haven't really been playing much.

"The end result was obviously what it was so I'm really disappointed.

"I have to hold my hands up and say that I got it wrong and the players didn't really help with their performance but there's an awful lot of very young players out there.

"We tried something today which didn't work so now we need to make changes for next week."

City, who remain 14th in the National League South despite the heavy defeat, host Chelmsford City (third) on Saturday before travelling to Gosport Borough (23th) on Monday for the Easter weekend fixtures.

Leam Howards scored a hat-trick in Ardley's last league game

Leam goes goal crazy!

Ardley United

HAT TRICK hero Leam Howards powered Ardley to a 4-3 win at Longlevens AFC in a goal crazy last league game of the season.

It didn't take long for it to start raining goals on a sun-soaked Gloucestershire pitch as a Darren Ofoe header and a Max Harper-Emerson strike fired the hosts in to a two-goal advantage within the opening eight minutes

But a resilient Ardley side had time to fight back and were level by half time

Howards slotted home a rebound into an unguarded net on 18 minutes before Matt Cruse scored from 20-yards on the stroke of half time

The comeback effort seemed in vain when Levens retook the lead 10 minutes into the second half as Ofoe netted his second of a frantic afternoon.

Undeterred, Ardley equalised again on the hour mark through Howards second goal before Cruse hit the post and Carl Tappin and Joel Meade also went close.

Just as the game drifted out for a draw United were awarded a penalty deep in to stoppage time

Howards kept his cool to fire home for his treble and nick the win for Ardley

Despite United's entertaining win, the north Oxfordshire side had to wait until last night (Wednesday) to see if they finish fifth or sixth in the Hellenic Premier League table as Highwerth visited Highmoor

Ardley's league campaign might be over but they hope to extend their season when they visit Chalfont Wasps in the Supplementary Cup quarter final on Saturday

Oxford's Jordan Gill takes on the York defence. Picture: Oxford RL

Oxford leave it late again

Oxford RL

FOR the second week in succession, Oxford RL secured a memorable late home victory

Following on from the previous week's impressive win over London Skolars in the League 1 Cup scores in the last 18 minutes from Callum Windley and Jordan Siddons clinched a deserved 35-28 victory over York City Knights on Sunday

The Blues started in disastrous fashion when York's Harry Carter opened the scoring with the first of the day's 11 tries after just 28 seconds.

York scored another a few minutes later through Hull FC loanee Nick Rawsthorne after an Oxford knock-on.

Trailing 10-0 early on, it seemed the game would get away from Oxford

Not a chance. Instead, the home team turned things around with two quick tries from Jordan Gill, who would be Oxford's hat-trick hero, and Max Jowitt who also converted both to give Oxford a two-point lead quarter of the way into the match.

York regained the upper hand with three tries before half time thanks to Jonny Presley (24 minutes) Brad Hey (29) and Will Jubb (40) to command a 28-18 lead at the buzzer

But once again Oxford fought back with three second half tries

Marcus Brooker dived over the line on 48 minutes and Gill scored his third of the afternoon on 67 to tie the scores

Windley fired a drop goal through the middle of the posts from 30 metres to nudge Oxford ahead and, leading 29-28 the result was sealed with two minutes to spare when Jordan Siddons burst through to score

York did mount one last ditch attack but the hooter sounded to signal a famous victory

Butler serves up a promotion appetiser

Abingdon United

ABINGDON United strengthened their promotion push with a well-earned 3-0 win at Letcombe on Saturday

Tom Butler bagged a brace either side of the break before Siyanda Gila wrapped up the win in United's final away game of the season.

The game started end-to-end, with shots cleared off the line from John Dennis for the visitors and Andy Goodchild for the hosts

Slowly but surely Abingdon began to get a foothold in the game and on 17 minutes took the lead.

Butler harried a defender on the edge of the box to win the ball before setting himself up and slotting coolly beyond Danny Joyce in the Letcombe goal.

United had further chances when Cian McCormack had a header cleared off the line from a corner and Dennis fired over following a cross from Gila.

Within a minute of the restart, Dennis went on a mazy run and his shot from the edge of the box forced a low parry from Joyce, only for Butler to follow up for his second of the game.

In the demanding heat and heading uphill, Abingdon produced their patient passing game to strengthen their control of the match.

Gila worked his way into the box and fired into the top left corner to seal the win on 68 minutes

Abingdon left with three points, a fifth clean sheet in a row and plenty of optimism ahead as they look to potentially secure promotion against North Leigh United on Saturday

Troy's too tricky for lacklustre Saints

American football

OXFORD Saints continued their warm-up for this weekend's season opener with another pre-season defeat.

After being thrashed 42-0 at Faceham Knights last month, Oxford's second warm up ended in a 49-21 loss to Leicester Falcons at Tilsley Park on April 2

Both the Saints and the Falcons were promoted to Division 1 following undefeated seasons in 2016, as Leicester took the northern title and the Saints were named the southern champions

A star performer for the day was Leicester's American quarterback Troy Lee, who quickly demonstrated his passing skills, picking up two first downs in the air

Inspired by Lee Falcons got off to a flying start and raced into a 21-6 half-time lead.

The Saints only touchdown came from veteran James Walter who ran in from eight yards

The visitors had stretched their lead to 41-6 before Walter and Antonios Athanasiou offered resistance to end the match 49-21.

The Southern Central Division 1 opener is at home to Sussex Thunder on Sunday

Debut senior goal brings Diddy win

Didcot Town

YOUNGSTER Ross Tanner scored his first senior goal as Didcot Town recorded back-to-back victories for the first time in 2017 in a 2-0 home win against Wimborne Town on Saturday

A goal early in each half was enough to see the Railwaymen earn the win in what was their first clean sheet since early December

On the back of their win at relegated Bridgwater Town the previous week, it took just four minutes for the hosts to go ahead as a Ben Whitehead free kick was headed beyond Gerard Benfield in the Wimborne goal by George Reed.

The Magpies got into the game and put pressure on Didcot but were unable to seriously test Leigh Bedwell.

They had a chance to equalise from the spot before half time but Bedwell easily saved Tobias Holmes' penalty

Diddy had a penalty of their own just minutes in to the second half after Reed was tripped in the box.

Whitehead's penalty was parried into the path of Tanner who fired under Benfield for his first senior goal and to double Didcot's advantage

Ross Tanner (3) scores his first senior goal for Didcot Town Picture: Roger Neal

The visitors pressured in the second half but were continually denied by Bedwell who had a brilliant game between the sticks for Town.

But the winning run came to an end on Tuesday night when the Railwaymen lost 2-1 at home to runaway champions Hereford in their re-arranged match following crowd trouble in the fixture last month

Didcot scored early but it wasn't enough as the Bulls fought back for the three points to take both their points and goals tally to 106

Whitehead's brilliant volley gave Diddy the lead in the third minute with a brilliant volley before Jamie Molyneux equalised for the visitors on the stroke of half time

Farmer Railwayman John Mills scored from the penalty spot early in the second half for the winner

SkyBet League 1		GP	GD	PTS
1	Sheffield United	42	35	88
2	Bolton Wanderers	42	28	79
3	Fleetwood Town	42	16	72
4	Bradford City	42	18	72
5	Scunthorpe United	42	20	70
6	Millwall	42	9	67
7	Southend United	42	14	66
8	Bristol Rovers	42	2	53
9	Rochdale	42	6	61
10	Oxford United	42	7	60
11	Peterborough United	42	2	58
12	MK Dons	42	2	55
13	AFC Wimbledon	42	0	54
14	Walsall	41	3	54
15	Northampton Town	42	-7	51
16	Charlton Athletic	42	9	50
17	Oldham Athletic	42	13	48
18	Bury	42	13	46
19	Shrewsbury Town	42	16	45
20	Gillingham	42	18	46
21	Port Vale	41	19	45
22	Swindon Town	42	17	43
23	Chesterfield	42	27	37
24	Coventry City	42	-26	35

Millers play-off dream ended after defeat

North Leigh

THE play-off ambitions of North Leigh are all but over after losing 3-2 at the ever-improving Yate Town on Saturday

The Millers beat the same side in the reverse fixture 2-1 on Tuesday to mathematically keep their play-off hopes alive but only just.

John Brough's side went into Saturday's must win game hungry for maximum points after a fine five-match winning streak kept them as play-off outsiders

But Leigh woke up from their promotion dream with a fright as they now linger three places and eight points off the Division 1 South & West play-offs with three games remaining.

North Leigh started the better side on Saturday and fought valiantly back into the match from 3-0 down, but the defeat continues Yate's great run of form with their third successive victory at The Jeff Stadium.

After a slow start the Bluebells made the breakthrough on 35 minutes when a long throw was flicked on for Jack Ball to lift the ball over Morgan Williams in the Leigh goal.

And after the break, North Leigh were at sixes and sevens as Yate threatened to run up a cricket score.

Trey Anderson struck the woodwork and the second goal did eventually come when full back Mayson Evans nodded past Williams.

The third came quickly afterwards when Jack Ball found space to rifle home.

Yate were well on top with their three-goal advantage but Leigh began to claw their way back into the match from this point.

The west Oxfordshire side was given hope when Roger James planted the ball beyond Harvey Rivers to pull a goal back.

And, after a soft ball from the right from Michael Hopkins found the back of the net after eluding two defenders and the keeper the Millers were right back in it.

James threatened Yate continuously and tested the Bluebell's defensive resolve but Yate who were reduced to 10 men, hung on for the three points

Leigh enjoyed better fortunes in their 2-1 win over the same team on Tuesday

Top scorer George Seacole gave the Millers the lead just before half time at Eynsham Park.

The home side were pegged back midway through the second period but the Yellows replied instantly as Hopkins scored from the spot for maximum points.

The Millers host Paulton Rovers on Saturday and travel to Didcot Town for the last away game of the season on Monday

Chairman urges Puritans over the line towards play-offs

Banbury United

THE chairman of play-off chasing Banbury United has issued a rallying cry as the Southern Premier League heads into its exciting final stages

The Puritans needed a 79th minute winner to beat a feisty Cinderford Town who, despite being rooted to the bottom of the table, proved difficult opponents on Saturday

But the 2-1 win at the Causeway Ground keeps Banbury in the hunt for a second successive promotion with their seventh win in eight matches.

Goals from Luke Carnell and Manny Duku resulted in a hard-earned three points to keep alive their hopes of a play-off place.

Merthyr Town, the team United are hunting, came from behind to beat St Neots 3-2 on Saturday to maintain their one-point advantage over the north Oxfordshire side.

The Welsh outfit have been stubborn and have answered every question the Puritans have asked of them so far, but Banbury's fine form has propelled them to within four points of third and fourth placed Hitchin Town and Slough Town.

And with three matches remaining – two of which are against teams above them – Ronnie Johnson, the Banbury chairman, has urged 'one final push'.

In a statement on the club's website he said. "So here we are three games left and only a point away from the play-off positions in the Southern League Premier Division.

"Could we have imagined this at the commencement of the season? In August 2016 the optimists amongst us would certainly reply with a hearty yes but this achievement to date should not be taken for granted

'Of course we may fall short but Mike Ford and his squad of players have once again put this club on the footballing map.

"This squad have been a credit to our club as a further highlight we are presently top of the Fair Play League in the Premier Division, let's make sure we give the lads loud and positive support during these final encounters.

"Our support home and away has been fantastic this season with our average home attendance around 350 and we are undoubtedly one of the best away supported clubs in our league taking between 50-100 fans to every away game with a massive 200 following at Stratford a couple of weeks ago.

"Congratulations to all involved but let's give it a big final push."

The fan owned community club welcome Hitchin (third) to The Banbury Plant Hire Community Stadium on Saturday before traveling Leamington (second) on Easter Monday

The Puritans finish the season at home to Kettering (eighth) on April 22.

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Canice Carroll, below and left, made just his second senior start at Walsall on Saturday Picture: Darrell Fisher

Coming of age defender has a 'really big future'

By George Welch

OXFORD United head coach Michael Appleton has praised emerging academy product Canice Carroll after a difficult week for the club that ended in a hard fought draw at Walsall on Saturday

The U's came from behind to draw 1-1 at the Banks's Stadium when a deflected Chris Maguire shot in the second half cancelled out an excellent Andreas Makris goal to earn a share of the spoils

After a challenging week that included a cup final defeat at Wembley and a 3-1 defeat at home to Fleetwood Town on Wednesday last week, it was a welcomed point in the Midlands

The play-offs might be out of reach for Appleton's side (seven points off with four games to go) but there has been newfound optimism around youth product Carroll.

The right back was impressive in just his second league start for the club and the young Irishman's boss was full of praise for him

Speaking of the 18-year-old, Appleton said, "He has a great temperament and a really big future

"He has really come of age in the last three or four months stepped up his training and become more competitive and more of a leader

"I'm not sure he will end up as a right back, eventually he will be in the middle of the park, but he is doing exactly what I thought he would when he got in the team and he will continue to do that. Definitely."

Carroll's outstanding display was part of a spirited second half team performance.

Boss Appleton, who confessed the Checkatrade Trophy defeat to Coventry City was his lowest moment in his football career might have an eye on next season in League One but he has admitted his side will keep fighting after Saturday's draw

He added, "The first half [against Walsall] had almost a pre-season feel to it on a warm day with both sides in a comfortable position.

"If anything their goal probably spurred us on more than it did them and we spent the rest of the half camped in their area other than one or two counter attacks."

Appleton added, "I was very pleased with the performance if not the result."

The play offs remain a long shot but there is still hope for the U's who have two big games (at Bradford City and at home to Port Vale) over the Easter weekend.

"A win might have put us right back in. You never know there might be a twist or turn still," Appleton added.

"I think there will with one of the clubs whether it is Rochdale, Southend, Bristol Rovers

"It was important that we got something [against Walsall]. It has been a difficult week for everybody and we have had to take two big defeats on the chin.

"To come here and show a lot of character after going a goal down says everything."

U's play-off hopes fade with defeat

OXFORD United's play-off ambitions hang by a thread after losing 3-1 at home to Fleetwood Town.

The U's failed to lift the cloud of disappointment following last Sunday's Checkatrade Trophy final loss and the defeat on Wednesday last week to the Cod Army leaves them adrift of the play-off pack.

Fleetwood's win at the Kassam delayed table toppers Sheffield United's promotion party until last Saturday and maintained their own hopes of reaching the Championship.

The high-flying visitors, who are third in the League One table and seven points off the automatic promotion places, took the lead after just six minutes when debutant Canice Carroll felled Amari'i Bell in the box.

It was a clumsy challenge by the young Irish international who was making his first league appearance.

U's goalkeeper Simon Eastwood went the wrong way as Bobby Grant rolled the ball home

Carroll was the most relieved man on the pitch when Curtis Nelson piled home the equaliser soon after.

Liam Sercombe made it with a low shot that pinballed off of a block and broke to the defender who swivelled to thump it beyond visiting keeper Alex Cairns

United boss Michael Appleton made four changes from Sunday's Trophy defeat with Carroll – who enjoyed a solid debut (penalty aside) – joined in the starting XI by the recalled Sercombe, Josh Ruffels and Conor McAleny

Needing the three points rather than just one, United sacrificed the excellent Ruffels for striker Tony Martinez just after the hour and the tempo and urgency intensified.

There were some fierce challenges and no shortage of commitment but, on 75 minutes, it was the Cod Army who netted the decisive goal when Ashley Eastham got in front of his man to nod home a Grant cross at the near post

Striker David Ball then killed the game off with an emphatic finish from 12 yards after Fleetwood withdrew the extra space as United pushed forward in hunt of an equaliser

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